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County struggles to keep budget increase to 20%

MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

Even after trimming $1-million off the proposed county budget, the bottom line at the end of the 11-page document was enough to make county councillors' hearts sink as they began their budget deliberations last Monday night.

If they accepted each department's wish list as presented, property taxpayers would be presented with a 50% increase in the county levy.

That translates into an extra $88 in taxes for every $100,000 in assessment.

"I know it's not acceptable but please appreciate this is after cutting it down," CAO Gary King told council.

However, by the next day, department heads had already taken a scalpel to their budgets to trim the increase down to 30%. It's hoped the increase can be brought down to 15 to 20% over the next few weeks.

"We're not accepting that type of an increase," says Warden Murray Fearrey, adding that the items deleted in the first round of budget cuts were important, but just not feasible in context of the overall tax impact.

"If we were doing what we're supposed to, we'd be having those type of expenditures," he says, "but we just can't do that to taxpayers."

He notes that this year, even if municipal governments and the county could find a way not to increase levies, many

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MARTHA PERKINS/Echo

Go ahead, make my day
Jesse Brookes' eyes seem to challenge his opponent to make a move during Saturday's qualifying tournament at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School for a berth at the provincial championships. For results, please see page 13.

A model example

European forestry experts have something to learn from Haliburton Forest

ERIK MARTENSSON
Staff Reporter

An example of proper modern forest management practices was the attraction when the Highlands was host to a number forestry professionals from Russia, Norway, Sweden, Finland, the United States and Canada last week.

The 30 experts were guests of Peter Schleifenbaum and the Haliburton Forest and Wildlife Reserve, the 60,000-acre property renowned for its long-term forest management practices and the protection provided to the water courses and areas of biological significance.

While in Southern Ontario attending a World Wildlife Fund seminar on boreal forest standards, the experts spent a couple of days touring and examining Haliburton Forest and comparing its practices to those in the forests of their homelands.

Andrei Zakhareukov, the director of the Forest Certification Centre in the Khabarovsk region of Russia's Far East, was suitably impressed with what he saw.

While he said the Haliburton Forest model would not currently be possible in Russia as there is almost no private forest ownership, he feels it provides an example of what can be accomplished to improve sustainable forest management practices.

"It's excellent forest management. It's a very good model," he said.

Intent on sharing his experiences at the forest, Zakhareukov says it may be possible to work together with the various interest groups and enterprises involved in the Russian forestry industry in the future to develop the tools in order to develop a similar sustainable model.

"We have enough knowledge and know-how. We now must consult with them to achieve model like this."

Niklas Hagelberg, a Forest Officer with World Wildlife Fund Finland, was also impressed with what he saw at Haliburton Forest.

Hagelberg says he was immediately engaged by something he observed when the group toured the forest's stands of maple, beech, hemlock and white pine.

"The first thing that strikes me is there

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Head Lake contest deadline extended

OKAY, OKAY, maybe we were a bit premature in thinking that spring had arrived. Those glorious days of sunshine two weeks ago have been replaced by grey skies and even more snow. Since it appears we're not in danger of having the lake melt any time soon, we're extending the deadline for the "When will the ice melt on Head Lake contest" by a week. You now have until next Thursday, April 12 to gues the time and date the ice will melt. Phone your predictions in to 457-1037, fax them to 457-3275 or e-mail them to echo@halhinet.on.ca. Please include your name and phone number.

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news and events worth noting

Teenagers can be tired, moody and irritable. They can have trouble concentrating, follow a conversation, or withdraw from friends and activities. These are among the signs and symptoms of psychosis. A workshop on April 6 in Peterborough will teach people how to differentiate between typical teenage behaviour and psychosis, a condition that affects the brain and leads to some loss of contact with reality. Symptoms can include confused thinking, dep-ression, odd behaviour and hallucinations. To register for the conference, call Jackie Corcoran at 705-876-5071.

Exodus Youth Club is hosting an international gathering for prayer via satellite on Sat., April 7 from 9:45 to 5 p.m. at Haliburton United Church. For details call Edge Ministries at 457-8898.

Don't forget that this Friday night, young boys and girls from Kinmount will be finishing their season with a fundraising game against the OPP. Admission will be by donation, with proceeds going towards the Special Olympics. The fun starts at 7 at the Minden arena.

Canada's largest home show celebrates 50 years with five model homes to tour from April 6 to 15 at the National Trade Centre, Exhibition Place in Toronto. The National Home Show presents more than 800 exhibits related to home maintenance, renovation, decor and landscaping. For details call toll-free 1-888-823-7469, or visit www.nationalhomeshow.com.

The Motorhead ATV and Snowmobile Show, from April 6 to 8 at the Toronto International Centre, features an indoor test track for both adult and children's all terrain vehicles. For details call 1-800-905 TRAX, or visit www.supertrax-mag.com.

The Peterborough Guild of Arts and Crafts hosts its annual sale from April 6 to 8 at the Peterborough Memorial Centre.

Congratulations to Sir Sandford Fleming College, which earned a high rate of approval from its continuing education students. Students rated their experience at Fleming higher than the provincial average in almost every category revealed by a recent survey by an independent consulting firm. Fleming also earned the distinction of being the top medium-sized college in the province in more than one-fifth of the survey's questions including quality, the helpfulness of staff, access to computers outside class time and overall facilities and service.

Barely Wearable looks at shocking fashions from 1850 to the present. This fun exhibit was assembled by the Museum Management and Curatorship students from Fleming College and will make you wonder how some clothes ever got off the runway. The show runs to May 6th at 300 Hunter Street East, on top of Amour Hill. Call the 743-5180.

The Five Counties Children's Centre is hosting an "equipment display and exhibition" on April 19 from 1 to 7 p.m. at its office on 872 Dutton Road in Peterborough. It features wheelchairs, seating, walkers, aids to daily living, bathing and toilet supports, adapted bicycles, van lifts, ramps and environmental controls. Call 1-888-779-9916.

Here are some upcoming events at the Dorset Recreation Centre: Matthews Nursery will do a presentation on gardening as part of a Communities in Bloom workshop on Thurs., April 19 at 7 p.m.; on April 21 at 11:30 a.m., learn how to enhance family mealtimes and shorten your time in the kitchen; learn how to crochet a rug on Sat., April 28 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.. For details, or to register call 766-9968.

Youth service workers are invited to a workshop designed to increase awareness of issues being faced by lesbian, gay, bisexual and two-spirited youth in the area on May 3 in Peterborough. For details call 705-324-3300 ext 31 or 705-749-9110.

County chooses less expensive option for paving Cty. Rd. 121

MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

The following are brief reports of items discussed in the operations committee portion of Wednesday's county council meeting.

While it is too expensive to use hot mix asphalt on road improvements to County Road 121 between Minden and Ingoldsby, it's hoped that the chosen alternative will be as effective.

For $1.25-million, five inches of the road top surface will be chewed up, put into a chopper, mixed with new oil and then put through a paving machine, resulting in a new four-inch base. About two weeks later, a new surface of asphalt will be placed over the 7.5-kilometres.

The weather during those two weeks will play an important role in how well the road holds up, says operations manager Doug Ray. However, he said the process the county is using is adaptable to the road's problems with moisture and cracking.

It's hoped the work will be finished by the end of June.

Resurfacing the road with hot mix would have cost $1.7-million, which given this year's budget constraints, is too expensive.

Meanwhile, the Ministry of Transportation will be donating all the pavement it will be removing from Highway 35 this year. The material will be stockpiled and chipped at the county's expense, but Ray says this is less expensive than buying it. The material will be used on projects such as shoulders and potholes.

Rail Trail committee

Representatives of county council, the Haliburton Highlands Trails and Tours Network and the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association will form a new committee to make recommendations about the use of the abandoned rail corridor between Kinmount and Haliburton.

One of the first goals is to come up with a master plan outlining the ways the corridor can and will be used. It's a given that it will remain a snowmobile trail in the winter, but that leaves three other seasons of usage to determine and monitor.

The county sees the corridor as a primary recreational asset.

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Ambulance paramedics didn't like having to wait at the parking area of Ontario Hydro on County Road 121 for their next call. They'd sometimes have to sit in the idling ambulance for hours and there are no washroom facilities on the rural stretch of road.

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Ambulance standby moves to Haliburton base

MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

The sight of an ambulance crew idling a shift away under the giant Hydro transformers on the Allsaw Flats will be no more.

Instead, when there's only one available ambulance left on any given shift, the paramedics will wait for their next call at the Haliburton base.

This is good news for paramedics, patients and property taxpayers, says Emergency Medical Services manager Bob English, who recommended the change to county council.

The main benefit is the reduction in response times to calls east of the Allsaw Flats, on County Road 121 halfway between Minden and Haliburton.

English says a review of dispatched calls in 1999 reveals that 59% of emergency calls come from the area east of the Flats. By having the last available crew wait at the Haliburton base, response time to the central and eastern portions of the county will be cut by six minutes. Haliburton is more central geographically in the county and it is at a north/south, east/west intersection of major highways. When a crew was parked at Allsaw, they first had to travel east or west before heading north or south.

Statistics show that response times are slower in the east of the service's jurisdiction.

In 1999, the average response times were:

- Anson, Hindon and Minden, eight minutes, 19 seconds
- Dysart et al, 10 minutes, 34 seconds
- Monmouth, 19 minutes, 58 seconds
- Glamorgan, 21 minutes, 13 seconds
- Stanhope, 17 minutes, eight seconds

"This is where the rubber meets the road, literally," English says of one of his reasons for making the change.

Paramedics have been lobbying for the change for years, he said, but their former employer, the Ministry of Health, would not respond.

The paramedics didn't like waiting in the Hydro driveway at Allsaw for several reasons: they were bothered by the diesel fumes from the idling ambulance, they had muscle and leg spasms for having to sit so long, there was no telephone should communications with the base be disrupted, there were no washroom facilities and there were safety concerns when they were parked there, relatively isolated, in the middle of the night.

With the price of diesel fuel, it's not prudent to keep the ambulance running for such long stretches, English says, and the practice also contributed to wear and tear on the vehicles.

English says some people in Minden thought the suggestion was the first step towards closing the Minden base, but English adamantly denies that was ever the intention.

"It wasn't an exercise to close the Minden base," he says. "It never was a consideration. The Minden base will always be there."

County council approved the change on Wednesday. It also approved several other requests from English, the main one being an extra shift on Sundays from four in the afternoon until midnight.

At present, because of scheduling, only two ambulances are on duty at this time; every other day of the week there are three ambulances on duty from eight in the morning until eight at night.

This Sunday reduction doesn't make sense, English argues, in an area which has so many cottagers and tourists heading home to the city on a Sunday afternoon.

A request for the extra shift has been sent to the Ministry of Health. If the Ministry approves it, the Ministry will pay for half of the $30,000 a year cost. If the Ministry doesn't and the county decides to go ahead, the county will have to pick up the entire cost.

Other approved items include the purchase of a new ambulance, which should arrive this summer, the selling of a 1995 unfit Ford ambulance as is, and a new administrative vehicle for English. The large truck he's driving now came as part of the handover of ownership from the Ministry to the county but is not suitable for English's needs. That truck will be given to the county roads department.

As well, English has passed his probationary period.

Map stays

Rather than try to update this road map on the wall of the registry office in Minden, or paint over it altogether, the county has agreed to add a border to freshen it up. "We'll preserve it as it is for historical reasons," Minden Hills Reeve Ross Rigney said.

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County fears Muskoka's watershed study request a hidden bid for annexation

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

A strongly worded letter will be sent to MPP Chris Hodgson telling him Haliburton County will not be included in a watershed study in Muskoka.

"It's pretty scary," said Algonquin Highlands Reeve Eleanor Harrison, referring to a request from the District of Muskoka to have the province appoint a commissioner to do a "comprehensive analysis of the Muskoka watershed boundary."

Since some of those watersheds flow into the Highlands, county councillors fear Muskoka had more than watershed boundaries in mind.

"My fear is it's just the tip of the iceberg," said Algonquin Highlands Deputy-reeve Don Shortreed at Wednesday's county council meeting. "I'm leery of what's behind this."

Given the rich assessment base of Oxtongue Lake – where property owners feel stronger ties to Muskoka than Haliburton County – the north end of the county looks very attractive to Muskoka politicians, he said.

"It could be annexation (they're looking at,)" Shortreed cautioned.

Muskoka is asking that the commissioner be given implementation powers "to enable said commissioner to consider and make determination on the further inclusion, or the continued exclusion, of all lands in the Muskoka River watershed which are currently not within Muskoka."

That land includes northern portions of Algonquin Highlands and Dysart et al.

"I think your concerns are valid," Dysart Reeve Murray Fearrey told Shortreed.

The Huntsville Forester reports in an article that the Lake of Bays Mayor Tom Pinckard, who is the driving force behind the request for a commission, says "presently, in my view, the communities that might be affected by this do not have the planning and controls to protect the water in Muskoka."

Ross Rigney, reeve of Minden Hills, differed with Pinckard's view. "We're capable of doing our own planning,"

Fearrey, as county warden, will send a letter to MPP Chris Hodgson advising him of council's adamant request that no parts of Haliburton County be included in the commissioner's mandate if the province agrees to Muskoka's request.

Deadline looms closer for Dorset school decision

Parents will continue the fight until April 24 vote

CATHY OLLIFFE

Special to The Echo

The fate of Dorset Elementary School could be decided within weeks.

April 24 is the magic date when those who want the tiny school to remain open come face to face with trustees from the Trillium Lakelands District School Board in Lindsay.

After nearly a year of difficult, if not sometimes emotionally draining preparation, the committee organized to investigate the feasibility of keeping Dorset school open will make their presentation to the board.

After that, it's all up to the trustees. Their vote will decide whether the doors to Dorset's beloved schoolhouse will stay open or close forever.

In the meantime, committee members are working hard to finalize their presentation. Sandy MacKay says the report will be written in three parts. First is a history of the school. Second is a plan for the school to stay open as a twin with Irwin Memorial School in Dwight. The plan, MacKay said, "is how we see our school, what our options are ... the emphasis is on a co-operative twinning effort."

The third part of the report will be written by the superintendent of education and the principal of the school, outlining what would happen if the school were to close. MacKay said nobody else on the committee had the heart to write part three.

The effort to keep Dorset school open has garnered support from some big political guns. On Feb. 21 the County of Haliburton passed a motion urging the school board to "recognize that local [schools] have significant importance to the community beyond the instruction of students and investigate in detail the significant importance to the Hamlet of Dorset in the Townships of Lake of Bays and Sherborne, Stanhope et al, and to the District Municipality of Muskoka and the County of Haliburton, of the Dorset Elementary School. Including issues such as community wellness, self-esteem and pride, community and area social and economic stability and impacts (direct and indirect) and the intangible elements and aspects related to the past, present and future presence of the Dorset Elementary School in the community."

On March 12 the District of Muskoka passed a motion just like Haliburton's.

All municipalties in Haliburton County have also endorsed the bid to keep the school open.

Previously the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce had officially announced its support for keeping the school open and there is a possibility that the Huntsville-Lake of Bays Chamber of Commerce will do something similar.

As April 24 draws inextricably nearer, MacKay wonders how trustees will vote.

"I have days when I am very optimistic," he said, "and days when I am very discouraged."

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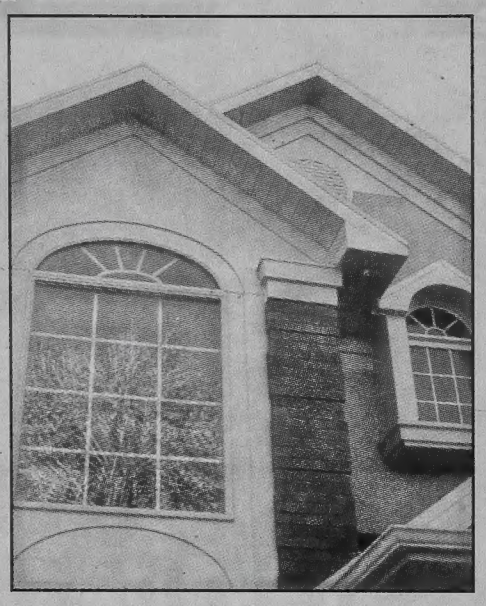

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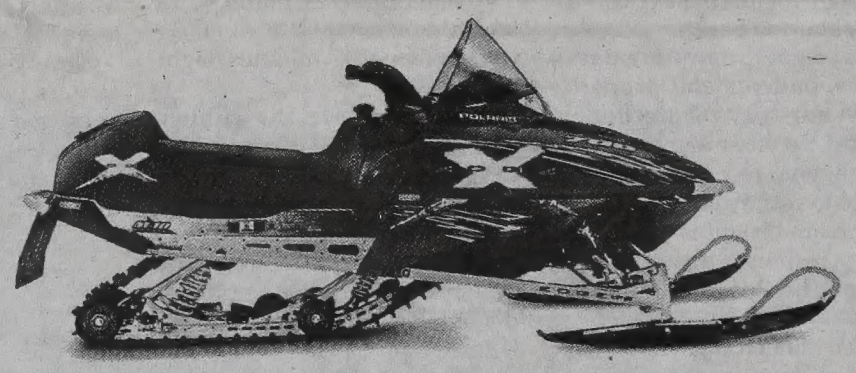

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Ancient series of movements earns new fans in Haliburton

MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

It might not have the stunning leaps and forceful power of Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon, but a Tai Chi class at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School does teach people how to "carry tiger to mountain" and "creep low like snake."

These fanciful names of some Taoist Tai Chi movements are only a small part of the charm of Logie Macdonnell's weekly classes. For those not accustomed to waving their hands like clouds or grasping a bird's tail, the words help paint a picture of the graceful and fluid motions, reminding people exactly just what they're supposed to be doing with their hands and feet.

"It's gentle movement, it's calming and it keeps muscles and joints functioning," Macdonnell says of the enduring appeal of the 1,000-year-old series of movements.

The health benefits are certainly part of the motivation for the 24 people who signed up for the current session of weekly classes.

"It keeps me in shape. Two years ago I could hardly get up the stairs and now I don't have sore knees," says Barb Potter, who even travels to Bobcaygeon so she can do Tai Chi more than once a week. "You feel so relaxed when you do the whole set."

Pat Brown says "once one begins to get older, one starts to accumulate aches and pains. With Tai Chi, it might look as if you're not getting a work out, but you're slowly pulling out the muscles. I will like it more when I can get in the flow."

What keeps her coming back? "I like the way it works your body and your mind," says the public health nurse. "You can't let your attention lapse or you lose track of where you are...

"It's good for balance and creaking joints, but the mind is the important thing."

This session of beginner's Tai Chi ends in a couple of weeks and a new session of Tuesday night classes begins April 24 in the theatre arts room at HHSS. The classes for those who have already been introduced to the movements begin at 6:30; the beginners class starts at 7:30.

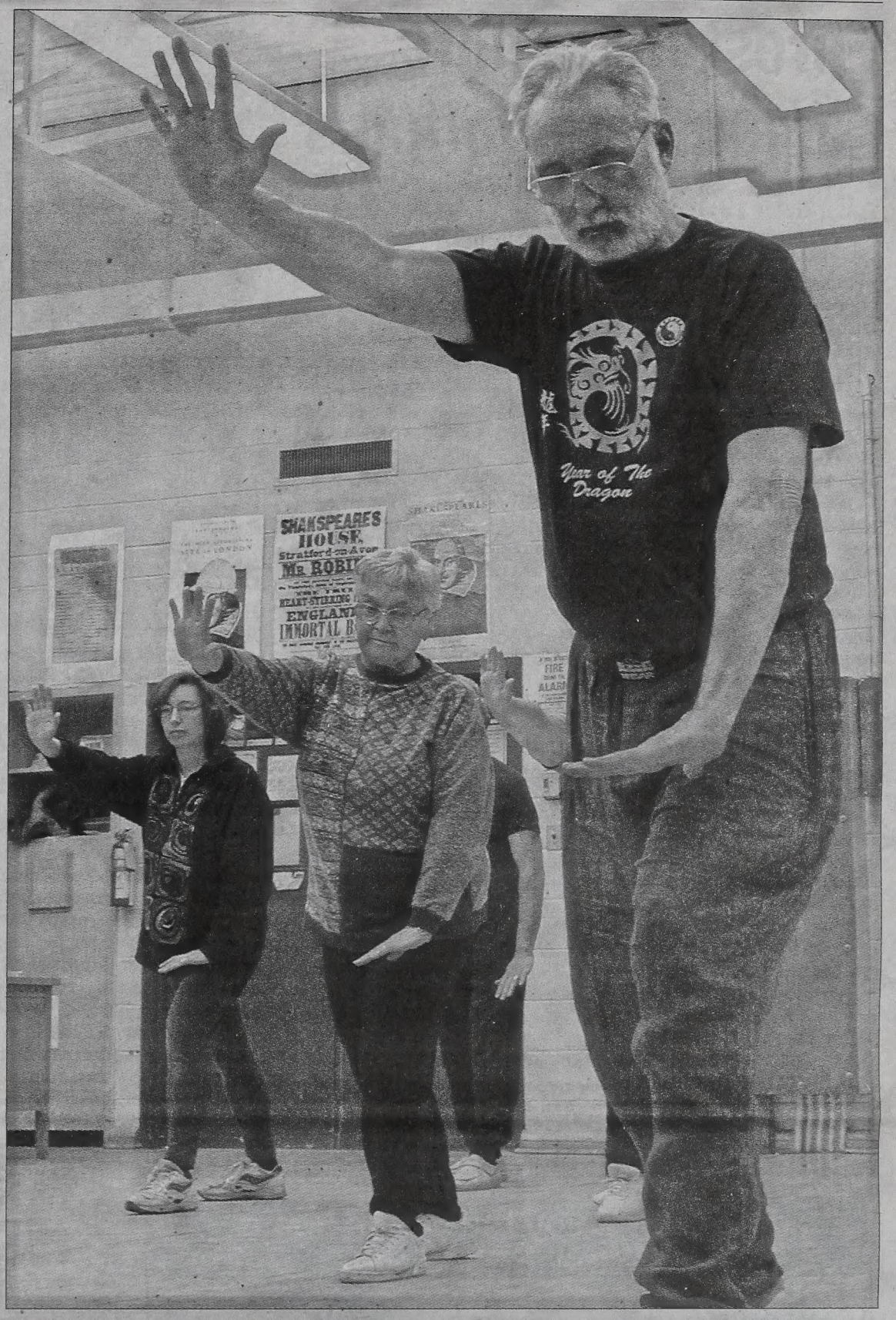
Macdonnell also teaches Tai Chi at Echo Hills Legion Apartments on Thursday mornings. Those classes are also suitable for people in wheelchairs.

Every Monday and Thursday morning from 7:15 to 8:15, there's open practice at the high school.

Macdonnell is a certified instructor and member of the Peterborough branch of the Taoist Tai Chi Society. Last week the association donated $200 to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation.

As the branch's brochure says "The foundation of Taoist Tai Chi is compassion. Our underlying charitable orientation is in keeping with the Taoist values of selflessness and service to others."

If interested in the next 10-week session, call Macdonnell at 457-5263. The cost is $25.



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Logie Macdonnell, top right, leads a Taoist Tai Chi class every Thursday night at HHSS. Barb Potter, at left, says the ancient practice has improved her health and helps her relax.

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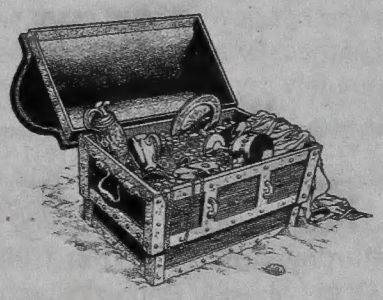

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Foresters admire sustainable policies

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is a lot of decaying wood," says Hagelberg.

He said the because the logging industry is so concerned with production in Finland, trees typically are not allowed to mature to the point where they decay, fall to the ground, and help regenerate the forest and provide for wildlife.

"These are things we should have in our forest."

Hagelberg said while the logging industry in the Scandinavian nation has always been good at producing large amounts of timber over the years, only recently have changes slowly been implemented to make the industry more sustainable and better able to protect important wildlife habitat like it is in Haliburton Forest.

Hagelberg said he was also impressed with how Schleifenbaum was able to combine both recreational and industrial uses on the property.

"Peter has brought so much else to the forest," said Hagelberg of the variety of activities like fishing, hiking and bicycling that take place in Haliburton Forest. "It makes them more than tree farms."

The diversity of activities that takes place in Haliburton Forest also caught Helene Walsh's eye. The president of a small conservation group, Albertans For A Wild Chinchaga, based in Fairview, Alberta, Walsh was especially impressed by the research and knowledge-gathering taking place in the forest in addition to logging.

"It's just going to be great for the long-term sustainability of this forest to have that valuable information."

Walsh said forestry companies in her home province that claim they exercise sustainable forestry could learn a great deal from the Haliburton Forest pattern.

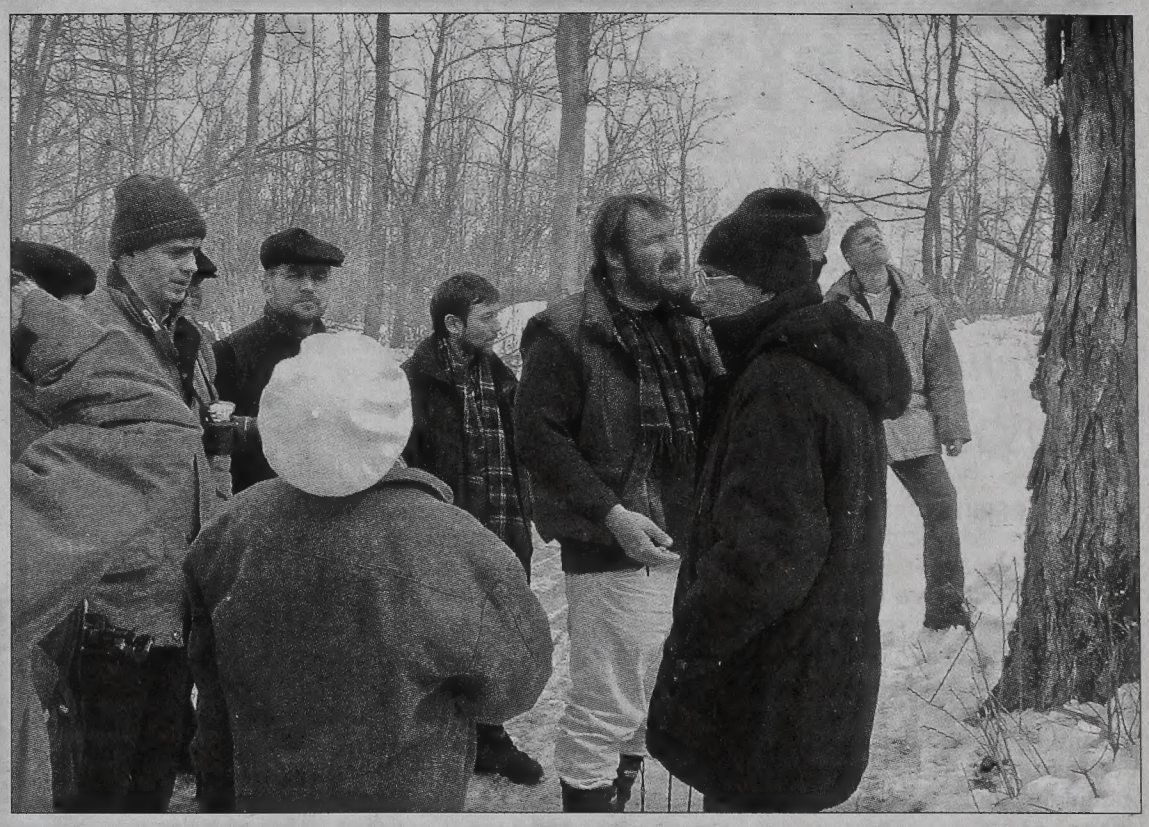
"It's really impressive. It would be nice if this kind of forestry could be practiced in Alberta," said Walsh. "It's famous as an example of a sustainably-managed forest and now I can see why."

Owner Peter Schleifenbaum said having the forestry experts as guests on the property was also beneficial for him as it provided an opportunity to trade concepts and look for answers to the similar problems they face.

"It was interesting to have them here and exchange ideas," he said. "It really shows that forests are a global concern."

Schleifenbaum said being questioned by his guests and successfully defending Haliburton Forest's practices with sound answers and responses also helped prove it is possible to nurture the forests while remaining economically viable at the same time.

'It's another confirmation for us that we are on the right track. At the end we stood quite well."



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Haliburton Forest's Peter Schleifenbaum takes European foresters, some of them with the World Wildlife Fund, on a tour to illustrate sustainable forestry practices.

County holds off on environment committee report

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

Although Warden Murray Fearrey believes the County Advisory Committee on the Environment has made some valid suggestions for the county's Official Plans, those suggestions are both very costly and pre-mature, he said at Wednesday's county council meeting.

He urged council to defer accepting CACE's recommendations until the next phase of public meetings are held this summer.

At present, the document is at the Ministry of Municipal Affairs awaiting approval, expected in a few months.

Then the county is obligated to hold another meeting for input into the plan.

During those meetings, CACE members will have the opportunity to express their views on the county's first Official Plan, Fearrey said.

"It isn't that we're ignoring (CACE's report)," he said. "There's no conflict between the committee and council as long as everyone remains patient."

Council had the recommendations at its meeting last month but nothing was done with them. Sherborne et al Deputy-reeve Don Shortreed said "we either have to defer it or bring it to the table. I don't think it's fair to have them sit there."

Fearrey said "these resolutions (to accept CACE's recommendations on the OP and to have CACE gather information waste management best practices) are premature. It's not that we're being negative, it's just that the timing is wrong."

Council agreed to defer acceptance of the recommendation until the OP was under public review again.

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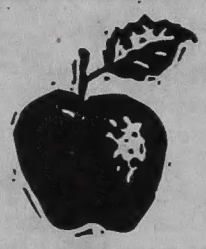

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County council briefs

Wet spring could cause flood conditions, MNR warns

MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

The following are brief reports of items discussed by county council on March 28.

The Ministry of Natural Resources is warning that with the high moisture content of the remaining snow, if it were to rain heavily, the combination of melting snow and rain could cause flood conditions.

Hyland Crest

The price was right, but the legal bills were staggering when the county sold Hyland Crest nursing home to Haliburton Highlands Health Services.

"The legal bills are unbelievable," said Dysart et al Reeve Murray Fearrey responding to the $7,000 the county has spent to draft the transfer of ownership.

"For something we gave away for a dollar," added Minden Hills Reeve Ross Rigney.

Meanwhile, although there is a possibility there will be a $58,000 deficit at Hyland Crest, the committee is hopeful that when the year-end tabulating is done, the deficit will not exist.

Rigney praised HHHS chief financial officer Cathy Outram for her work on the budget.

CAP sites

The county library system may not be the best host of the federal government's public Internet access program, says Algonquin Highlands Reeve Eleanor Harrison.

The computers are currently in various library branches across the county (as well as the county office in Minden.) However, federal rules require that CAP sites are open 20 hours a week and not all libraries are open that many hours.

As well, Harrison noted that other areas with CAP sites charge a small fee but provincial rules do not allow libraries to charge user fees.

Other options for host sites are being considered.

Meanwhile, the county library has received funding from the Bill Gates foundation to buy two new computers.

Forestry

Doug Thain, the county's tree-cutting by-law enforcement officer, noted that in the entire Bancroft/Minden Ministry of Natural Resources district, 9,500 acres of forests would be cut under the management plan. In comparison, in Haliburton County alone, 8,000 acres of private land will be logged.

He also noted that any portions of Crown land that are clear-cut will be re-forested, with more seedlings to be planted than before.

Thain has also been appointed as the county's weed inspector.

Information booths

As the Chamber of Commerce continues with its application for SuperBuild funding to build a new office and information booth in Minden, Dysart et al Reeve Murray suggested that the Chamber also consider using some of those funds to build an information booth at the intersection of Hwys 118 and 35 in Carnarvon.

"You can direct (tourism) traffic in four directions" from this location, he noted, adding that the intersection is probably the busiest crossroad in the county.

"Information booths are critical," he said.

However, when he noted that Dysart et al paid for the information booth in Haliburton, with no funding from the Chamber, few other councillors picked up on his suggestion that the Chamber help pay for local information booths. Other county councillors felt it should be a municipal responsibility.

Trails and Tours

The Haliburton Highlands Trails and Tours Network sought council's support in its bid to get charitable status so it could issue tax receipts for donations, as well as set up a charitable foundation to encourage contributions to the Network's efforts.

Rigney said the Chamber of Commerce has charitable status and suggested that the Network look into channeling donations through the Chamber, especially since the two organizations share the same office space.

Network co-ordinator Rachel Gilhooly noted that while the Network looks to others for funding assistance, "the support that's most crucial (to us) is that of county council."

Sewage lagoons

Algonquin Highlands Deputy-reeve Don Shortreed will plan a tour of sewage lagoon sites in Muskoka to help the county plan for its own lagoons.

"It would be really worthwhile to see first-hand how they would work. We need to know what we're facing," he said. Private haulers and members of the county's environment advisory committee will be invited to join interested politicians.

Fearrey said local sites which could also be used should be included on the tour.

It is not felt, at this time, that the county will have to buy land for sites where septic waste will be stored over the winter. The county has agreed to take on the project on the condition it will recoup its costs through user fees.

When Shortreed noted that in Muskoka, property taxes subsidize the waste haulage costs to private landowners, he met with resistance about doing the same thing here. Ratepayers in areas where they have to pay for sewer line services – Minden, Haliburton and Cardiff townsite – would not be in favour of paying a second fee to subsidize having private septic tanks emptied, other county councillors said.

Waste management

Council agreed to hear a presentation at its next meeting by a company that designs and builds a composter which could handle all the garbage in the county.

Fearrey, who as reeve of Dysart et al, has already discussed possibilities with the company, made the suggestion.

He said that if the county were to enter into a contract, it would not have to pay for the facility. Instead, it would be charged $85 for every tonne of garbage processed and "that's not too far off what it's costing us now" to maintain landfills.

A detailed story about the composter appeared in *The Echo* last month.

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Take a bike

In this week's Trails and Tours column, Barrie Martin argues that when governments undertake road projects, they should also go the extra distance to pave the shoulders.

He's right. Really right.

Think of the places you like and why you like them. The most successful cities and towns are the places which invite you outside. There are boardwalks for walkers and moms with strollers and kids with rollerblades. There are parks and trees. There are people on the sidewalks and sitting on benches.

By having things to do outside, you create an impression of a community that's vibrant and healthy.

echo **editorial** *martha perkins*

If Haliburton County is going to fulfill its goal of becoming a vibrant community that offers an attractive lifestyle to families and retirees, the more we can do to get people out of their homes and onto the streets the better.

Cycling has become a prime recreational activity throughout the province. The number of people who gather for the Tuesday morning Real Easy Ryders tours of the Highlands is a testament to this. It's an incredibly popular club that's growing fast and always looking for places to ride. Poll any of its members and you'll find that the weekly excursion is one of the reasons they want to live here. They want fun things to do, and if they can't do them here, they'll find other more receptive places.

However, we also live in a fast society; we want to get places quickly. Highways and our side roads are therefore not safe places for cyclists. But all it would take to change this is a metre-wide extension of pavement. Cyclists - many of whom are going at a fast clip themselves - could stay off the road but wouldn't have to ride in gravel.

The extra paving costs may be expensive to begin with, but they'd pay off dividends in terms of safety and appeal. You could even argue that a healthier, bike-riding society will put less strain on the healthcare system and help the environment. Quebec has had the practice of paving shoulders for years, enhancing the appeal of bicycling as a recreational pastime and also opening up the countryside to tourism.

It would be a shame if we have all these pretty roads with nowhere to go for cyclists.

Reacting to peanut allergies

In another story this week, a mother makes a good argument in favour of putting up with the nuisance of preparing peanut-free lunches and snacks for her children because a child at their school has a peanut allergy. "I don't want to be the one who kills a child," she says, summing up the whole issue with one succinct sentence.

Hard enough as it is to believe, peanuts can kill, and that threat exists for a growing number of children.

Many people resist the need to do anything, as a community, to protect people with peanut allergies. But just think – we restrict smoking in public areas because of the health risks associated with second-hand smoke and yet most people who walk into a smoke-filled room are not going to keel over and die. A person with a severe peanut allergy, on the other hand, can just shake hands with someone who's recently eaten something with peanuts in it and die. Do you want to be the person who kills someone?

Lone tree at Vinegar Hill *by Len Pizzey/Echo*

Ideal beauty comes at a price

marion hare **perspectives**

Have you heard about the newest improvements in health matters? According to a commentary on the Global network on March 13th these will help men lose wrinkles and sport hairless chests. They have also nearly perfected hair implants to cover baldness. Wow isn't medical research a wonderful thing! This shouldn't be astonishing for it's just the latest so-called medical breakthrough to help we humans achieve ideal beauty - in other words to be fashionably correct.

It is a truly a fool's fantasy. What is considered attractive in one time and place may be found unattractive in another. This can be seen in the ever changing attitudes to physical beauty in Western society in paintings of the various periods. Plump, curvaceous women and men sporting elaborate wigs and elaborate finery fill the canvases of Rembrandt and Rubens and others of their period. They proclaim a standard of beauty quite in opposition to ours today.

This is not because we have gained more common sense but only because we too search for a standard of beauty that to some extent will proclaim that we as individuals are economically advantaged. In the past plump women and elaborately attired men implied well stocked larders and financial success in a society where many had only minimal food and clothing. In our modern society we have had to seek other ways of portraying material wealth for poverty is less widespread. Our financial well-being is thus trumpeted when we seek to become skinny, wrinkle-free women and smooth hairless-chested men for these effects cost a lot. To term them improvements borders on the absurd but keeps the pressure on us to spend.

We have come so far in our pursuit of the ideal body that we are beginning to lose our way. Five or so years ago at a gathering, I got a glimpse of where we all may be heading if common sense does not soon prevail. It was most enlightening. The components of the scene are essential because probably only in that context would the fashion direction of our world be so pronounced. It was a memorial reception in New York for an elderly gentleman who had been highly respected both as a stock broker and a patron of the arts. Gathered there were two distinct groups: associates from the financial community and the sundry others, primarily people from the artistic community.

It was not difficult to distinguish those who had been part of his social milieu – especially the women. There may have been exceptions to my observations but not that I saw. These New York society women were on the cutting edge of fashion. Some were elderly but all seemed to be seeking one single ideal. Attired in the appropriate finery yes, but more than that all were physically similar.. It was truly astonishing. These women were skinny to the point of emaciation and almost wrinkle free facially. To me, they conjured up the image of a hundred or so Nancy Reagan look-alikes.

What was truly sad was to see what had happened to their figures and faces as a result of their desire to attain (or retain) our present day concept of beauty. Without some body mass they lacked femininity. Without wrinkles they seemed masked and lacked character. When chatting I realized that facial expression was so minimal because to a great extent only the eyes retained the ability to convey feelings.

Portrait painters throughout the ages in order to convey personality have often added extra wrinkles to the face. On the other hand, to cosmeticize a face in painting has long meant to remove the natural signs of aging, hide personality, attempt to create more a general ideal than a specific reality and in the process hide the individuality of the sitter.

Now that our advertising world has so thoroughly shown the modern woman how to spend in order to achieve to-day's ideal men are being targeted. After a couple of rather sane fashion centuries for men they have seen the light. A new and expensive path to ideal masculine beauty is beckoning. UGG!

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Here's to Evel, wherever you are

Recently, my wife asked, "Why do boys do stupid things?" "Why are you asking me?" I replied, while testing 9-volt batteries with my tongue.

Her detailed explanation need not sully the blank spaces of this column.

Actually, by stupid, she was referring to the act of intentionally tobogganing down suicidal runs towards an icy ramp, something that my son Ryan was getting the hang of at an impressive rate.

I looked out the window as she pointed this out. As a father, I was horrified - he should have gone head first to get the full effect. If he'd had a hero like Evel Knievel he would have known that.

tales from

steve galea

vinegar hill

When we were young, Knievel was everybody's hero. In him we found a clean-cut, high school dropout, who used a motorcycle for its intended purpose - namely to jump over things like burning cars, people, and mile-wide canyons. As role models went, he was harmless enough.

The fact that he continued to entertain and endure after breaking practically every bone in his body only proved that the danger of stunt work, excessive speed and great heights were greatly exaggerated by mothers and orthopedic surgeons alike. It taught fortitude in the face of mind numbing pain. It's why marriage is a cake walk for me.

Besides that, anyone in a body cast not only became genuinely interesting but also got to miss a couple of weeks of school. Yes, in our books, Knievel was a genius.

Naturally, youngsters of my generation tried to emulate him. Unfortunately, few of us had the pennies in our piggy banks to finance the supercharged Harley or rocket bike. And, though we suspected that some of our parents could, they steadfastly refused to park these things under the Christmas tree, opting for safer gifts like bb guns, home chemistry sets, and lawn darts. Kids today wouldn't understand this sort of deprivation.

Still, with a six-foot plank, a couple of bricks, a three-speed bike, and a little ingenuity we had just as much chance of getting settled in that elusive body cast. For me, that's what made this country great.

Now youngsters don't have a hero who is worthy to have his or her eyebrows singed by Evel's exploding gas tank. Oh sure, there are a lot out there, but it's strictly a matter of quantity over quality. It's very much like the Canadian political scene.

You've got a choice between overpaid sports celebrities who cry like babies when they get traded to the wrong team or professional wrestlers who can only yell, point beefy fingers, and strike muscular poses that look suspiciously like an effort to battle steroid-induced constipation. OK, we won't follow this line of reasoning any further but is it any wonder that my son idolizes cartoon characters imported from Japan? Like Digimon, for example.

So who the heck are Digimons? The explanation Ryan provided left my head spinning, but the long and short of it is these guys fight each other and live in a digital world.

I'm thinking, that's just like the rest of us. So what's the big deal? It's sad really.

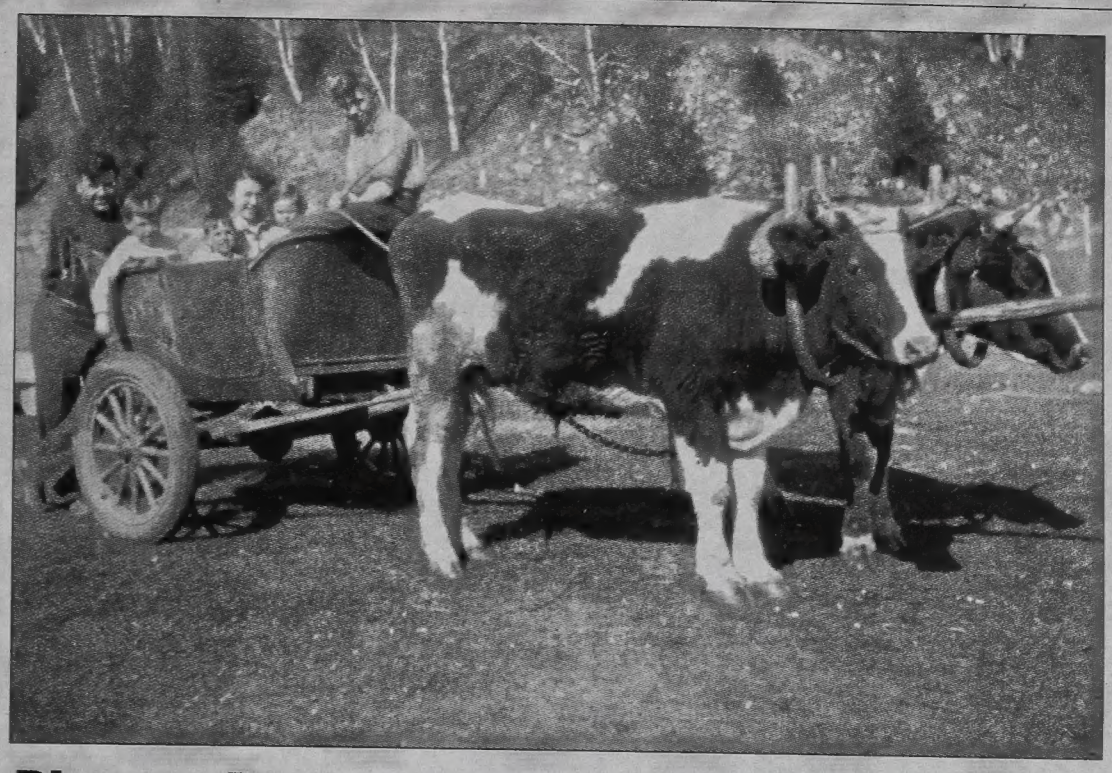
I suspect that part of the blame for not having a modern-day Knievel lies squarely in the lap of political correctness and the evolution of common sense - two things that I remain steadfastly opposed to.

By today's standards, Evel is a dinosaur. He was brash and macho. He waved to the crowd even as they carried him off in pieces, provided, of course, that his hand functioned. He had a jump suit, boots, and helmet that bore the flag of his nation. Knievel was the last manly man to wear a flowing, white, silk scarf. Even now, it is enough to make a fellow get all misty.

His jumps brought us hope and inspiration and he left us with a legacy of mindless stunts that even I would be hard-pressed to live up to.

I mean if Evel could clear the Snake River Canyon in a rocket bike (and he didn't), then maybe, just maybe, my Hyundai Accent could make it down that pothole-riddled road to the lake. If he could smile for the camera while getting a compound fracture realigned, then why can't I when Carol raps my knuckles with a soup ladle as I try to sneak a topping off a pizza on its way to the oven

Believe it or not, Evel has a son who took up the family business. Unfortunately young Robbie doesn't seem to have what it takes. Yes, they don't make them like Knievel any more. Then again, maybe that's just because he broke the mold.



Pic *of the* Past

As Stan Beard writes, in 1935 Lloyd Barnes of Wilberforce took the controls of a Depression-era Bennett Buggy and set a two-cow drag speed record of 0 - 2.3 mph in four minutes and 23 seconds. This record, set by Buck, the bovine on the left, and his racing companion Bright, still stands. The human witnesses were Earl and Olive Boice and children. For more of Stan Beard's wit (and his wife Caroline's drawings of even more cows), please see the current edition of Senior Life in this week's Echo.

letters to the editor

Tournament makes memories

To the Editor:

Many thanks to the Dart family for another successful Glen Dart Hockey Tournament. We are fortunate that Roger keeps the tradition alive. (The Darts always give so much deserving praise to Bob MacNaull.) Bob does so much to see that we get to see all of the young hockey players on the same day – along with the many other volunteers. It is also nice to see the former teammates of Glen to present the trophies to the MVP. Thanks to all.

I can well remember Glen's mother talking about Glen's hockey days, at the time I only had a baby girl, and for over 30 years seeing Jack, Jean and family make the trip to the "Glen Dart", late each spring. Now Jean is the only surviving sister-in-law, but still makes the trip.

The last 10 years, I have seen what a great day it is and how nice it is for all the spectators to see all the younger players on the same day. It is sort of like a happy ending to the hockey they have enjoyed each year.

Thanks again.

Dianne Parish,
Haliburton

Lost dog found many friends

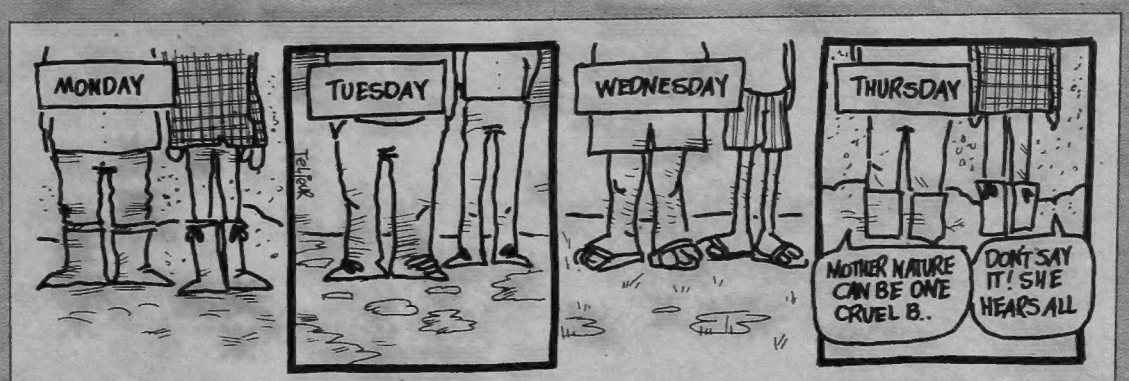
To the Editor:

Last weekend, March 24, our beagle went missing up on Haliburton Lake. We were only there for the weekend and had to leave for home on Sunday night. Leaving without her was one of the hardest things we've ever had to do. Fortunately, upon our arrival Friday night we were greeted in the driveway by her, a little skinnier and very tired.

We would like to express our sincere thanks to the people in the Haliburton Lake area, particularly Jim and Tammie McPhail who own the store in Fort Irwin. The number of people who were aware that she was missing and were watching for her was astounding. The concern shown by everyone in the area was heartwarming. Jim went out of his way to drive up to our cottage and traipse through thesnow twice during the week to see if she had returned.We are proud to be members of such a kind and caring community.

Ken and Wendy Loney
by e-mail

Boonieville *by Charlie Teljeur*



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The FOREST LIVES

Mortal Coil's absolutely fabulous costumes made its production of "If a tree falls..." truly come to life. The last of this season's Razzmatazz Children's Concert Series, the one-hour performance at YMCA Wanakita taught the audience to value all the living creatues in a forest and to help in the fight to preserve their habitat.

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property owners are already facing tax hikes because of increases in assessment, particularly on waterfront property.

However, no matter how much cutting is done over the next month, the county's levy will still be much higher, say the politicians, who are also very pessimistic about their ability to keep municipal levies at last year's level.

What's to blame for the huge increase?

After two years of being warned that the real effects of provincial downloading were being camouflaged, the real costs of assuming responsibilities from the province are being exposed, county councillors say.

• For the first time, the county must pay half the costs of the ambulance service. Its proposed budget is $2.166-million.

• Although the county received $4-million when ownership of several former highways was transferred from the province, in the past few years, the county has "borrowed" from that money to keep its levy down. Now there's only $450,000 left in the pot – just when the county is faced with a $1.25-million construction project on County Road 121 between Minden and the Ingoldsby turnoff.

But there are also made-in-Haliburton decisions affecting the levy.

• The county has agreed to pay the entire $1.3-million cost to implement 9-1-1. This year's budget for the program is $625,000, much of which will go towards the required road signage.

• When the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation took on the task of raising the community's $5.5-million share of building new healthcare facilities, the county agreed its contribution would be paying the interest on the loan to cover the shortfall between money owed and money raised. This year, interest payments are expected to be almost $200,000, up from $52,000 the previous year.

• The county's share in Connect Ontario to develop the necessary telecommunication services is $35,000. (The province pays half the $100,000 cost, the Trillium Lakelands District School Board chips in $10,000 and $5,000 comes from the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce - which itself is earmarked for $150,000 from the county.)

• Council has also agreed to support other projects including $14,000 for website development, $1,500 for a symposium on head waters, and $8,500 in support of economic diversification programs.

• The Chamber has requested $161,000, up from $150,000, to continue with its program of attracting tourists and businesses to the Highlands.

• Even though there are fewer county politicians, those politicians carry a heavier workload and they have given themselves a raise to reflect that. Last year, wages and benefits for the 10 reeves totalled $42,000. Now the four reeves and four deputy-reeves will receive a total of $63,600. (Fearrey noted that he voted against the pay raise for the warden.)

One way the county may reduce its costs is debenturing capital projects, such as 9-1-1, over a few years.

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Young commanders conquer Haliburton, now tackle Toronto

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More than 50 players participated at the Haliburton County Chess Challenge at HHSS on Saturday, March 3. Many players qualified to attend the provincial grade-level championships in Toronto on April 22.

Most of the divisions were played under round-robin pairings, exposing players to intense competition through out the day. There was an unprecedented four-way tie for first in the Grade 6 division, so there will be a strong contingent from Haliburton at the championships in Toronto.

Players were awarded one point for a win, one-half for a draw and zero for a loss.

* indicates provincial qualifier

Grade 1/2
Leo McInnes-Regina* 4.5pts (Ind); Jasmin Purnell 4pts (SBES); Jacob Outram 2pts (SBES); Joshua Wright 2pts (SBES); Amber MacDuff .5pts (GES); Jessie Gray* (Spruce Glen PS)—Grade 1 Champion

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Drew Paul* 4pts (SBES); Cody Donaldson 2.5pts (Armour Heights); Willie McReynolds 2pts (WES); Adam van Nood 2pts (SBES);Johnnie Currie 2pts (SBES); Bonnie Gray 2pts (Spruce Glen PS); Kelly Outram 2pts (SBES); Amber Loney 1.5pts (GES); Cameron Cox 1pt (SBES); Brett Yavis 1pt (SBES)

Grade 4
Shane Dibblee* 6pts (JDHES); Curtis Nichol 5.5pts (JDHES); Matthew Duchene 5pts (JDHES); Daniel Wright 4pts (JDHES); Nygel Harris Saxby 3.5pts (WES); Holly Quibell 2.5 pts (GES); Lindsey Snelgrove 1.5pts (JDHES)

Grade 5
Karl Kadwell* 4pts (JDHES); Kaila Grech 3pts (GES); Zac Pasley 3pts (GES); Adam Cox 2.5pts (JDHES); Bethany Snellgrove 2.5pts; Jesse Brookes 2pts (JDHES); Danny van Nood 2pts (JDHES); Jessica Pasley 1.5pts (GES); Luke Stevens 1.5pts (JDHES); Ashley MacDuff 1pt (GES); Charles Mulley 1pt (JDHES)

Grade 6
Devin Hunter* 4pts (GES); Brandon Loney * 4pts (GES); Andrew Flowers* 4pts (JDHES); Alex Danilko* 4pts (JDHES); David Wright 2pts (JDHES); Robbie Ashworth 2pts (JDHES); Jordan Lesich 1pt (GES)

Grade 7/8
Daniel Riley* 3pts (JDHES); Josh Pasley* 3pts (JDHES); Myles Nicholson* 2.5 pts (ASES)—Grade 8 champion; Kelly Dobson 2.5pts (JDHES); Christine Carr 2 pts (ASES) Lisa Wright 2 pts (JDHES)

Grade 12
Jeff Bonham* 4pts (HHSS)
Sid Barkowski 2pts (HHSS)
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Checking the moves

Devin Hunter contemplates the next move at the Haliburton County Chess tournament at the HHSS on Saturday, March 3.

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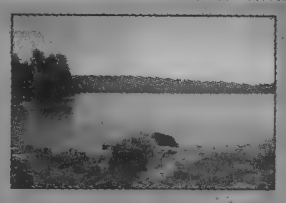
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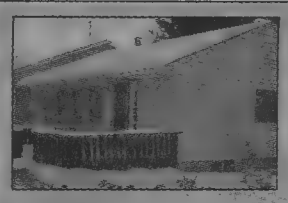
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A peanut free world

Kindergarten students turn classroom into a peanut-free zone because one of the students has a severe allergy. A workshop on Saturday will encourage public places to do the same

Feature & photos by Martha Perkins

ON HALLOWE'EN, Bruce Cameron got the fright of his life and it wasn't because the ghosts and goblins were hovering about.

Someone put a Reese's Peanut Butter Cup in his trick or treat bag.

"Get it out of there," Bruce screamed at his mother Jennifer, afraid to even touch the packaged candy.

The four-year-old Haliburton boy had every reason to be scared. As innocuously delicious as it might seem, a Reese's Peanut Butter Cup could kill him.

Bruce is one of the growing number of children who is allergic to peanuts. The first time he had a peanut butter sandwich, he broke out in hives from head to toe for three days. With his second exposure, when a friend on the school bus gave him a cookie that contained peanut products, he threw up for four hours. Future exposure could cause his throat to swell up so much he chokes to death.

It is this latter risk that makes peanut allergies such a deadly serious issue.

Heather Alloway, whose 10-year-old nephew nearly died last week after inadvertently being exposed to peanuts, is hosting a special workshop on peanut allergies at Lakeside Baptist Church this Saturday. The guest speaker is Marilyn Allen, director of the Anaphylaxis Network of Canada and her topics will include ways people can make their communities a safer place for children with peanut allergies – practices that might have prevented her daughter from dying.

"I, as a deacon of Lakeside Baptist, feel a tremendous responsibility to do my part to make our kitchen environment safe," Alloway says. Through her experiences with her nephew, the Haliburton woman is acutely aware of how easy it for peanut allergy sufferers to die.

She tells the story of teenaged worker at a Muskoka bagel outlet. She ate a peanut-free bagel but it turns out it had been cooked on a tray that had previously been used to bake peanut butter cookies. She didn't have time to get the epi-pen in her knapsack and died.

Unless people are familiar with peanut allergies, they find it hard to realize how easy it is to trigger a reaction. Only one part in 40,000 is needed to set off someone with a severe allergy.

Take what happened to Jenn Perrott, a Grade 8 student at J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School. Her father Norm had bought a sealed package of cashews and had it in a bag with other groceries. Just by carrying the bag into the house, Jenn had an allergic reaction. Luckily, her parents were able to give her a needle right away.

"You cannot see this (allergen)," says Alloway of why everyone has to play a role in making the community safe for people like Jenn and her nephew. "It's not like they have a choice – 'I'm not going to climb this stepladder because I might fall.' These people die."

Many daycares are already peanut free and at CHACE Place, they ask kids to not even eat peanuts before they come. If a child who's had a peanut butter sandwich at home plays with a child with a severe peanut allergy, the traces of peanut butter are enough to set off a potentially deadly reaction.

"People are very understanding," says Wendy Baux, support staff at Haliburton CHACE Place. Her husband has a peanut allergy and her son might have it, too, so she's one of the parents who's very glad the rule was put in place.

At Stuart Baker Elementary School, making Bruce's classroom a safe place takes both preparation and constant diligence. First, the entire classroom had to be cleaned. Everything that a child might touch, from plastic toy in a bin to a book on the shelf, had to be washed with bleach. Anything that might have been touched, for instance, by someone who had previously eaten a peanut butter sandwich had to be disinfected.

"It was a big ordeal," remembers his mother Jennifer, who with her husband Gary, volunteers and staff, helped with the clean-up.

More critically, the other children in Allison Perecko's kindergarten class and their parents had to join the effort to prevent peanut products from entering the

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Vigilance a daily necessity for those who could suffer a fatal allergy reaction

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classroom.

"Everyone was very receptive, very good," says Mrs. Perecko of the reaction to the request. Today, "the kids are my little patrollers," making sure everyone is vigilant about what snacks come into the classroom. "It's amazing what kids adapt to and that helps the parents adapt."

Norm Perrott agrees. "Kids accept it because there's a concern for their friends and they look after each other," he says. The only people who have resisted the controls that are necessary to prevent Jenn from having a reaction are adults.

But as one mother at the school says, while it may be inconvenient and a nuisance to pack peanut-free lunches and snacks, the risk of what might happen if she doesn't makes it a necessity. "I don't want to be the one who kills a child."

Since Bruce's arrival, there's been another child at the school who has developed an allergy. (Allergies can develop at different stages of a person's life with various degrees of seriousness. Some people with peanut allergies are so sensitive, even the smell of peanuts can set off a reaction.)

Next year, two more children with peanut allergies are enrolled at the school.

Right now, the school can keep children with the allergies in the same classroom, thereby avoiding the need to ban peanut products throughout the school. For now. Schools in other jurisdictions have declared themselves peanut free but Principal Debbie Wales says she'd be hesitant about making such a promise because it would create a false sense of security.

Other places do try to make that promise. Heather Alloway would like churches, day cares, hockey arenas, community centres and camps to become peanut free.

YMCA Wanakita has banned peanuts for about five years now.

"If there's a chance of a child becoming sick or worse, we have to get rid of the risk," says general manager Steve Heming. "With 500 people on site, there's no choice."

Not only does the kitchen avoid any products which may contain peanuts, but a letter is sent to campers asking them not to bring such products with them. Staff must check all snacks to alleviate any risk.

"People might get irritated (by such rules), but it's a child's life at risk," says Bruce's mother Jennifer Cameron about why she needs the help of others to make sure that Bruce isn't exposed to peanuts. That means reading food labels carefully to see if there are any traces of peanuts and avoiding having those foods in public places. While it makes life inconvenient for others, she asks them to remember there's no other way to prevent a severe reaction. "If people get upset, it's not the child's fault."

"People might get irritated (by such rules), but it's a child's life at risk," says Bruce's mother Jennifer. "If people get upset, it's not the child's fault."

After the incident on the bus – accepting another child's cookie – Bruce is as aware as a four-year-old can be about the risks he's facing.

"He's afraid of it," his mother says.

Right now, the Camerons been able to exercise some control over Bruce's exposure to peanuts but that will get harder as he gets older. "When he starts wanting to go to other people's houses without me, I'll worry," she says. "I'll pack him his own little snacks."

Yet the hidden dangers still amaze the Camerons. The other day, Bruce's dad, Gary, bought a package of suckers. He quickly perused the label before giving a sucker to Bruce and daughter Sydney. But once the package was open and he could spread it out, he noticed the warning that the suckers "may have come in contact with nut particles." The kids had to give him the suckers back.

"Lots of things that I thought were safe, aren't," says Mrs. Cameron, noting that it's only through goodwill, not the law, that manufacturers put warnings on their packages.

"It's a big fear," she says of their life with Bruce's peanut allergy, a fear that will only intensify as Bruce makes more forays into the world, a world that's full of hidden dangers.

Norm Perrott agrees and he's glad that Heather Alloway is organizing Saturday's workshop so other people can realize just how serious the allergy is for families like his.

The workshop is free and starts at 1 p.m. at Lakeside Baptist. For more information, call Heather Alloway at 457-5272.

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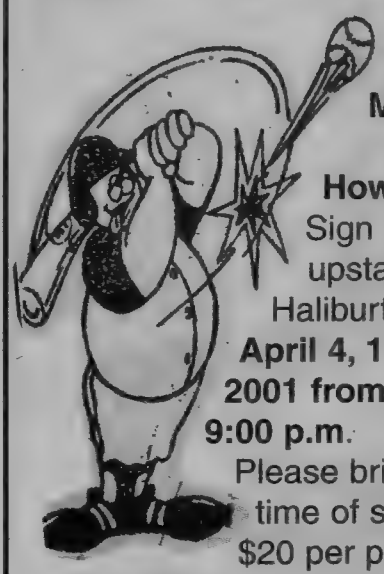

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Any Questions?
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Winter was an outdoor lover's dream

Trails and Tours Talk

by BARRIE MARTIN

People are talking about what a winter it was: Peter Overington, Haliburton County Snowmobile Association observed:

" It has been very successful year - conditions for snowmobiling were ideal and trail permit sales were up. Traffic levels were down somewhat because conditions were good everywhere."

Don Gage, Haliburton Nordic Trails Association, notes " As far as ticket sales go, there is no doubt sales are up a lot compared to last year. Sales of Nordic ski passes through Willow Beach Cottages were up over 250%."

Wes Lytle, who grooms ski trails for HNTA, provided the following report. "Last year our grooming machine was used less than 60 hours. This year, we have used it over 200 hours. We did more grooming in the first month beginning December 13th than all of last year. We have burned 500 litres of gasoline and 700 litres of diesel fuel grooming trails. Our trail base was at least 30 cm deep all winter. We have reported our trail conditions to the Ontario Travel Centre over 100 times. The number one non-human users of our trails are deer."

Margaret Brogden of the Ski Friends of the Frost Centre said, "Total income from tickets sales is up 25%. We received lots of feedback from skiers appreciating the care of trails and therefore willing to support us financially. One skier made a $100 donation for trail maintenance after reading the history of the Ski Friends in our brochure. We explored Dan, McKewan and Horse Lakes as far as Black River and enjoyed watching a river otter rolling in the snow. He let us get within 20m - enough to photograph him with a telescopic lens."

Shoulder Reason

Cycling season is just around the corner. Interest in exploring the landscapes of Haliburton by bicycle is growing. While there are a number of good cycling routes in Haliburton County we have yet to reach our full potential. More and better routes will attract a greater number of cyclists to the area during the summer and the slower spring and autumn seasons.

A number of road construction projects will soon be underway in the Haliburton Highlands on municipal, county and provincial roads. Perhaps you have read the recent notices in the local papers for public input into these construction projects. It is time to make the case for paved shoulders on our roadways.

While paved shoulders make for a safer and more enjoyable outing, advocating paved shoulders for cycling is a tough sell. Fortunately, there are other practical reasons - twenty-two at last count - why shoulders should be paved. For example, shoulders discharge water further from travel lanes, reducing the undermining of the base and sub-grade; and they increase the braking area for emergency situations. For the other twenty reasons check out our web site under "Cycling" at www.trailsandtours.com. Or in the brochure Cycling Routes in the Haliburton Highlands (produced by the Haliburton Highlands Trails and Tours Network with support from HKPRD Health Unit - Heart Connection, and the Highlands Easy Ryders), you will find information on some of the routes that can be found in the county.

Cost is a factor that needs to be investigated. A look at the costs of maintaining gravel shoulders may reveal that paved shoulders save money over the longer term. From 1993 to 1998, Simcoe County spent $1.9-million dollars on grading and erosion repair to maintain its gravel shoulders. Consider also the potential economic benefits of attracting more cycling enthusiasts to the area.

You will notice that some roads such as Highway 118 have portions with paved shoulders. That is a great start but let's go the distance with paved shoulders and signage for cyclists.

P2P - East Meets West

In the far northern portion of Haliburton County there is a new trail in the works. The Park-to-Park Trail is a regional initiative to create an east-west link through Parry Sound / Muskoka Districts and Haliburton County. The route, using several already established trail systems, will connect to several communities, provincial parks and amenities and provide trail users with a variety of accommodations, food, retail, attractions and other services. One of the primary goals of the Park-to-Park system is to create a linear connection between Algonguin, Killbear, Oastler Lake, The Massasauga and Arrowhead Provincial Parks. In Haliburton County the trail will roughly follow the Highway 60 corridor.

As a link in the Trans Canada Trail, the Park-to-Park Trail is intended to be a "shared use network". The trail will encourage year-round use. Activities will include walking, hiking, cycling, cross-country skiing, snowmobiling, horseback riding and dog sledding. For more information call 1-888-746-4455 or visit www.park-topark.com.

If you would like to contribute to this column please contact the Haliburton Highlands Trails and Tours Network at 705-286-1760 or info@trailsandtours.on.ca.

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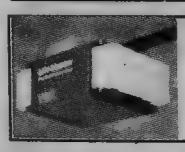

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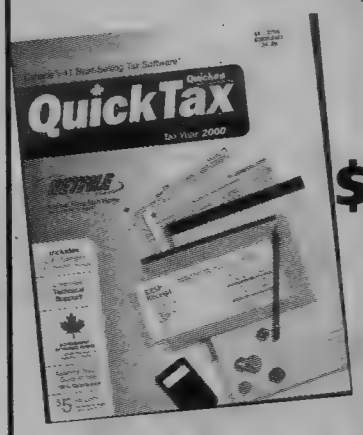

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A time of change at Community Living organization

Executive Director Cheryl Anderson heads for new life in Arizona, staffer Maureeen O'Hara gets new position

MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

Change often elicits conflicting emotions at the Haliburton County Association for Community Living, they are about to undergo a big change.

So while there is great sadness that executive director Cheryl Anderson is leaving to begin a new life in Arizona, there is also optimism about the future now that another long-time staff member, Maureen O'Hara, has agreed to continue with the legacy.

"Cheryl has meant the world to everybody and kept us all motivated," says board chairperson Linda Brandon. "It takes a catalyst to keep an organization growing and Cheryl's that catalyst."

In accepting, with regret, Anderson's resignation, Brandon wrote a letter that thanked Anderson for "ensuring that we have the best hardworking staff, board members and community volunteers in place to keep the daily wheel of HCACL moving forward with projects, fundraising activities, advocacy campaigns, membership assistance and program implementations.

"Thank you for forging so many valuable links and positive communications with government and their policy makers and legislators, community organizations and individuals.

"Thank you for enthusiastically striving to improve on the promotion of who we are. We have weathered many changes over time. In the midst of change, through your guidance we can be proud that HCACL's founding mission statement and guiding principles have never changed. We will continue to

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MARTHA PERKINS/Echo

While sad that executive director Cheryl Anderson, right, is leaving the Haliburton County Association for Community Living, board chairwoman Linda Brandon, left, says she and other board members are excited that long-time staff member Maureen O'Hara, centre, is taking on the challenging role.

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"I can't think of any other job that makes you feel so good."

Cheryl Anderson

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prove that programs for people with disabilities have to be guided by the voices of people with disabilities and their families or guardians. Our underlying role is to be that voice."

"This has been my dream job because of the people I support," says Anderson, whose marriage to an American last Thanksgiving prompted the move to his home state. "I can't think of any other job that makes you feel so good."

She started to work for the organization in 1980, left for a brief time, came back in 1983 and became the executive director in 1992. Her last day of work in Haliburton will be July 6.

Back when she first started with the association, there was public resistance to some of its programs, particularly the residence. Today, the residence, and the various supportive housing arrangements throughout the village, are taken as commonplace.

It's by having the people associated with Community Living to become full, active and visible members of the village life that has contributed to them being so widely accepted, Anderson says. They're going to church, getting involved with social events and working out in the community, instead of in the woodworking shop that used to be their only focus.

"It's a very welcoming community and I think the reason the community has grown so much is because the people we support are out there," Anderson says. In the old days, when people were sent to institutions, it helped create the perception that there was something to fear of disabilities. By having the people as visible community members, "it proved to any of the doubters that a person can have a developmental disability and still be a member of the community – and that it's their right."

"It's a neat community to be in and be a part of. It's the personal connections," agrees O'Hara, who started with the Association in 1982, adding that "the people we support have been the best advocates for themselves."

She notes that staff care about the association members as people, providing friendship and support after the work day is finished. For instance, staff makes sure every member of the association – five at the residence, 14 in supported independent living, and 27 involved periodically in the day program – has a home they can go to for Christmas.

That said, there still is the challenge of finding work opportunities for association members or, at the very least, "meaningful ways to spend their days."

Adding to that challenge is the whole obstacle of transportation, which is hard enough for anyone on a fixed income.

"There's a lot of things you could do if you had affordable transportation," says O'Hara. She encourages people to volunteer to take association members with them to events, offering to pick them up and take them home.

Other volunteer opportunities are also available.

"You don't need a special gift; you need a head and a heart," says Anderson.

While O'Hara doesn't have any specific plans on how to put her personal mark on the executive director's job, she is looking forward to continuing with the dynamic relationship between the board and the staff, who work together to push the association ahead.

"We will continue to advocate and support people who have challenges and their families," she says. "This board is very positive and proactive as far as having a plan. There's great direction and support from the board and other agencies we've partnered with."

Brandon says that for association members, the stress of Anderson's departure will be made much easier by having O'Hara's continued presence. "It will make the transition smoother."

Dysart calls for bottle deposits

ERIK MARTENSSON

Staff Reporter

Dysart will be encouraging the Harris government to force container manufacturers to initiate a deposit program for their products after council members agreed with a suggestion from Deputy Reeve Bill Davis.

"I believe the province should pass legislation to make manufacturers make bottles returnable for deposit," Davis said.

In a discussion prompted by the recent news that green glass is no longer being recycled in Ontario, Davis argued the system would improve recycling while cleaning up the province's roadways and taking pressure off its landfills.

"Whether we are using the product or not, all citizens are paying for disposing it in the landfills."

Although Ontario has the highest rate of return on beer bottles, it is one of only two provinces in Canada that does not have a deposit system for pop or liquor bottles.

"The point is if they can support it in other provinces they can support it here," said Councillor Leon Jones.

Reeve Murray Fearrey noted that the subject of deposits comes up frequently.

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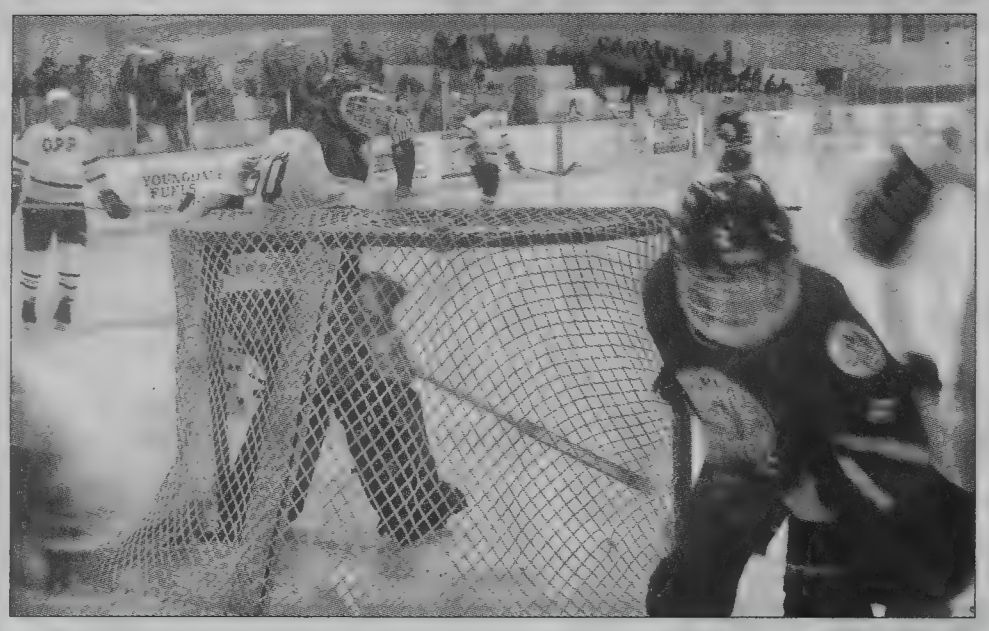

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Minden's Lester brothers aim for the top of Snocross circuit

TREADING THE THIN line between fearlessness and reason on top of 500 pounds of roaring horsepower and advanced technology, a pair of hard-riding Haliburton brothers competing in the physically and mentally demanding sport of Snocross are having great seasons.

Luke and A.J. Lester of South Lake are racers in the Canadian Snocross Circuit, where competitors motor finely-tuned snowmobiles around a fiercely undulating track at breakneck speeds in pursuit of the checkered flag.

Almost every winter weekend they can be found somewhere in Ontario, Quebec or the US circling a 1/3- to 1/4-mile-long course studded with steep hills and bumps vying against as many as 18 other riders. Riding at speeds averaging 50 miles an hour, the brothers will race several times over the two days as they attempt to make it through the heats and into the finals in several classes.

It may be hard to believe, but at 20 and 16 years of age respectively, the young men are actually veterans of a grueling sport where "trading paint" is a commonality. Their father's career – Mark Lester runs a family-owned stable of snowmobile magazines – introduced them to the sport that came to Canada eight years ago from the U.S.

Snocross was a perfect fit for the Lesters. In their first season Luke was voted rookie of the year in his age bracket while A.J. was also nominated and finished a tight second despite only racing the latter half of the season in his category.

Now in only their fourth year of racing, the brothers are very successful and are among the top riders in the country. The elder Luke is motoring his way towards the front of the pack in his first season in the top professional ranks while A.J. is dominating the semi-pro circuit in his first attempt at the higher level.

Although he's the youngest competitor in the semi-pro ranks, A.J. currently sits in second place overall with only a few weeks left in the season. He has won five races and has finished in the top five consistently in the rest. The young racer says it's fun to beat the older guys who are on average 23 years old.

"It feels pretty good," says a quiet and laidback A.J. "When I started this year, top three was my goal."

At 20, Luke is also a youngster in the professional circuit. He says his first year has been a learning experience, competing against the best riders in Canada.

"They're fast, very fast," says Luke, noting that moving to the top level was also intimidating. "It was a case of making sure I was validly a pro and just getting the nerve to race with them. You question whether you have the right to put a ski on them (pass them)."

Since professionals race more laps than semi-pros, Luke also had to adjust to the additional endurance needed for the top ranks. Halfway through the season he began a personal training regime that is already showing benefits. He recently won two races and is establishing himself as a top-five rider.

"My goal for the year was just to make it into the finals each weekend," he says. "So winning two races has been great."

Asked about the presence of sibling rivalry, the young men grin and say it's something they get asked about everywhere they go. Occasionally the brothers get to compete against one another as once a weekend the semi-pros can enter into the pro-600 event.

"He's my biggest motivation if we're in the same race," says Luke. "If he's ahead of me at the first turn it makes me push myself twice as hard."

A.J. says as a semi-pro he's just competing in the pro-class for experience since he can't earn points for the championship title. While he has had opportunities to be aggressive and push pro riders out of the race he'd rather ride clean and earn respect.

"That way I've proven I can ride with them," he says.

In a sport where some competitors start as young as five, Luke notes competitors in the early stages of their life's journey are usually the fast ones on the track.

"It's a younger guy's sport and it's going to continue to go that way," he says.

A.J. thoroughly agrees and notes adolescent bodies can absorb more punishment and are more flexible. He adds younger riders perhaps embrace more of the craziness factor and tend not to be intimidated.

"We don't care," says A.J. "I just go out and race my own race."

Luke says the cerebral aspect of Snocross is a mental fight between fearlessness and thought. He points out some young guys will jump first and think later and some older guys may do the opposite. While there can be a price for being too crazy and taking yourself out of the race, there can also be a price for being too cautious and slow.

Luke says the mental part of the game is one where the two brothers differ. He classifies A.J. as slightly more crazy and one who doesn't think as much, whereas he tries to strategize the fastest way around the circuit more often.

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Danger is part of the Snocross thrill

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The raw wildness of the sport of Snocross means it's a dangerous one. Other competitors and their 500-pound behemoth machines have landed on A.J. at least five times and he has been lucky to escape without any broken bones.

But on the positive side, the craziness and apparent reckless abandon of Snocross has also seen its bigger and bigger jumps and more "radical air" help sell the sport effectively across North America. Now prominently featured in ESPN's X-Games, Luke says the sport has rapidly advanced from the days when competitors arrived with the same machines they used for their weekend trail rides and a simple toolbox in a pick-up truck. Now teams with crews, motor-home trailers and clothing sponsors are the norm.

"It's a professional sport now," says Luke. "Before it was a backyard sport for guys who were going too fast for the trails."

Luke points out large advertisers such as Canadian Tire and Re/Max are now on board in Canada and the sponsorship influence is becoming huge as snowmobile manufacturers want to see their machines in the winner's circle and are using racing as a tool to influence buying decisions.

Proof of this can be found in the Lesters' garage. It is full of tens of thousands of dollars' worth of complicated technology in the form of four snowmobiles that are provided for them. A.J. is sponsored by Skidoo while Luke is sponsored by Polaris. The Lesters are also sponsored by Prentice Power Sports in Minden, Janssens Muskoka and the Haliburton company, Tekrider, which is their clothing sponsor.

"We just wouldn't be able to do it without them," says Luke of the large expense of taking part in the sport.

It also takes a five-person crew to keep the brothers gunning for the top as they compete against hundreds of Canadian and American riders each weekend.

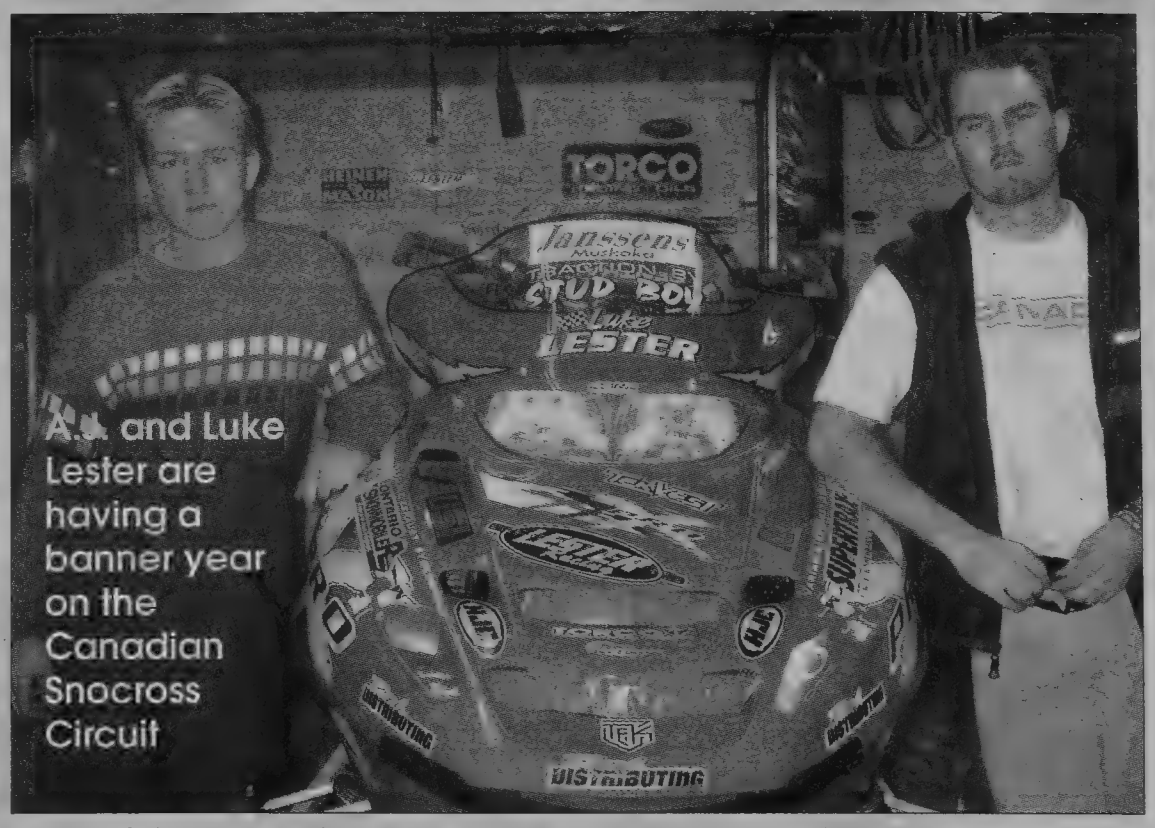
In addition to physical and mental aspects of the sport, their snowmobiles have to be in top shape because they are stressed to their outer limits.

"You've got to have your equipment working perfect," says Luke.

Luke's mechanic is Tim George of Carnarvon and A.J.'s is Steve Charity of Minden. Both say their mechanics do an excellent job of translating what they are feeling on the track into finely-tuned rockets capable of bringing them victory.

The brothers' uncle, Jeff Babineau of Minden, is their general manager, pit manager and psychological coach and they say there isn't anything he wouldn't do to help them.

Mother Barb is also an important part of the crew as she makes sure the boys eat right.



A.J. and Luke Lester are having a banner year on the Canadian Snocross Circuit

ERIK MARTENSSON/Echo

"She's the nurse, the psychiatrist, the cook, and just about everything else," says a grateful Luke.

And finally father Mark is the "worrier" who keeps everybody doing what they should be doing.

"He's team godfather," says Luke. "There's just not a list long enough."

As another Snocross season comes to a close the brothers are looking forward to having some time to do other things for a while as the winter months are completely focused on racing.

The free time is also something Luke says he will enjoy when he leaves the sport. He says he will probably race for another two or three years, retiring at the ripe old of 23. While racing was never meant to be a career and was something he did "just because I could" Luke's goal for the next couple of years of racing is crystal clear - he wants to be the best Snocross racer in the country.

"That's the goal. That's the point. To be number one in Canada."

A.J. says he will likely join his brother in the professional ranks where there is more prestige and money sometime in the near future and would like to race in the more established American circuit as part of a factory team as well.

"I'm young so I've got lots of years ahead of me. I'd like to think some day I'll be able to race in the U.S."

As for their post-racing lives, Luke says he will continue to write and work with with his father and the several magazines the Lester family helps publish. A.J. says he will likely become involved with the magazines in the future in a sales capacity as well.

The magazines will remain a connection to the sport the young men have grown up with and are indelibly attached to. Luke says a love of the sport will probably even bring him out of retirement to race in the Master's Class when he reaches the age of 40.

"Once you've been a racer you'll always be a racer. It's always going to be that way so I might be back."

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However, problem questions can be designed to relate to specific functions for the job. For the bricklayer it could be related to the number of bricks; for the daycare worker it could be numbers of children and quantities of sandwiches. The secret is that the adult learner needs to see some relevancy to their chosen goal.

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MARTHA PERKINS/Echo

To stimulate conversation among the volunteers, some of whom are meeting for the first time, co-ordinator Jane Selbie pins the name of someone famous on volunteer Ken Golby's back. Golby then had to guess who this famous person is.

MARTHA PERKINS/Echo

Volunteers Lizzi Breivik and Judy Neimann play one of the games that make learning fun before enjoying a potluck dinner at the Learning Centre's celebration of the volunteer efforts that make its programs such a success.

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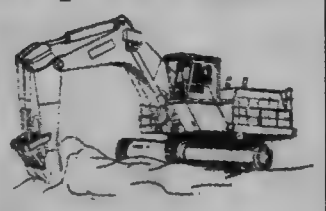

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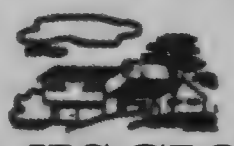

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Curling season sees last rock thrown

Curling season has come to an end. Over 75 people enjoyed membership in the club this 2000-2001 season. That, plus all the folks who enjoy the occasional bonspiel, indicates that curling is a favourite winter sport in this area.

Congratulations to the Roberta Walsh team of Laura Casey, Jan Guyton and Jill Tallman on their winning the playoffs in the Women's League.

The Seniors League champions are Jack Carr (S), Dawn Carr, Norm Melitta and Sally Sterling.

The Awards Night and Dinner, at which all the league champs and play-off winners will be honoured, will be held on Saturday, April 21 at the Harcourt Community Centre. The annual meeting of the club will be held this Thursday, April 5 at 7 p.m. at the Club House.

The Keith Cameron Mens' Bonspiel, held on the weekend of March 24, was a 12-team tournament with teams from Minden, Stroud, Little Britain, Haliburton and Wilberforce areas.

Taking first place was the team of Mark Smith, Blaine Lewis, Bob Cumming and Steve Smith. Second was the Roy Bridge team from Stroud, while Ken Craig's team was third.

Convenors Don Meharrie and Gary Stoughton indicate that they were pleased that the efforts of the volunteers and the generous sponsors helped make it a successful, fun tournament.

The Easter Cantata entitled "The Passion according to St. Luke", under the direction of Bill Gliddon and the augmented choir of St. George's, promises to be what the Rev. Christopher Greaves calls "a moving presentation of the hope-filled Easter story." It will be at St. Margaret's, Wilberforce, this Friday, April 6, and at St. George's, Haliburton, on Saturday, April 7, both at 7:30 p.m. All are welcome.

The Monmouth Recreation Committee is ready to serve up pancakes and sausages at MapleFest on Easter Saturday, 9 to 2. The Craft/Flea Market is on until 3 p.m. Watch for the Easter Rabbit! All at the newly organized, renewed Lloyd Watson Centre.

Thanks to Jill Tallman for this hockey report: In the final round of playoff hockey this season, the Wilberforce Atom Rockets met the Omemee Sharks for the championship trophy (Masters Division). The series went to an exciting seven games.

On Sunday, March 25, the Sharks came to Wilberforce for the seventh and deciding game. The stands were packed; the teams were pumped. Wilberforce overpowered the Sharks 3 - 1. The team players were Chris Crowder, Adam DeCarlo, Andi Donaldson, Julian Forget, Matt Johnston, Michael Nicholson, Jeremy Orth, Cora Rigelhof, Dylan Rigelhof, Kyle Steele, Sonny Tallman and Josh Townsend. The team was led by coach Lee Donaldson, assistant coach Ken Steele and trainer Rick Forget. Their generous sponsor was Tom Horton and family of Horton Spices.

Congratulations to this winning team and its leaders. Do watch for their championship trophy on display at the Monmouth Arena for the next year.

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wilberforce

Hilda Clark

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Every year, students in our schools prepare, practise and present stories and speeches as part of their Language Arts programs. Some are selected to compete in the Royal Canadian Legion Public Speaking Contest.

Children from schools in the Wilberforce Legion area completed a few weeks ago. Winners were chosen to go on to the Zone F-5 finals. These finals, this year, were held right here in our area, hosted by Douglas C. Hatch Branch 624, Wilberforce, on Saturday, March 24, 2001, at the Harcourt Community Centre.

Speakers and story tellers, 28 in all, came from schools in the Lakefield, Omemee, Otonabee, Apsley, Havelock, Warsaw, Millbrook, Peterborough, and Wilberforce Legion Branch areas. Judging the Story Telling (Gr. 1 - 3), Elementary (4 - 6), Elementary (7 and 8), Jr. High (9 and 10), and Senior High (Gr. 11, 12 and OAC), were Ginny Carmichael, Gill Stephen and Ed Loft. The timekeepers were Shirley Finlay and Claire Loft. Dignitaries and officials included Harry Dale, Wilberforce Branch President, Zone Commander Ted Davis, Una Golding, Zone F-5 Youth Education Chair, and Cynthia Goodison, local Youth Chair.

Jocelyn Donaldson, speaking about "Chocolate", in the Grade 4 - 6 section, was the only local competitor.

The winning story told was entitled "Family Vacation". In the Grade 4 - 6 division, "Water Witching", was the winning speech. A student in the Grade 7 - 8 section told the moving story of Anne Frank to win. The Jr. High winning topic was "Princess" and the Sr. High "Population Explosion".

Unfortunately, competitors went by numbers, and local attendees did not have a record of the names of the students speaking or winning.

The Ladies Auxiliary provided a delicious lunch for the hungry participants, their families and Legion guests – about 125 people. Thanks to Ethel Scott, Bonnie Jessup and Ginny Carmichael for this news, and to the Wilberforce Legion for successfully hosting their youth event.

The arena season ended Saturday with the annual skating party of the Harcourt Chapel Youth Group and friends.

Province to study 407 extension to region

A series of major highway studies will include work to begin on the extension of 407 East to connect with Highway 35/115.

"I believe that this will mean a lot to our community in that it will ensure that our local infrastructure is in place for when growth happens. In the past few years, we have seen tremendous growth in our community, and it will only continue as people want to live here and commute to jobs in the GTA," said MPP Chris Hodgson.

Hodgson added, "this extension also follows the logic – if you build it they will come – meaning that if our community can prove to industry that we have the infrastructure they need, then they may consider coming into our area. This is great news."

The needs study will begin now with completion expected by the end of 2001. If successful, the project would then proceed through a complete provincial and federal environmental assessment process.

"The needs assessment will entail public input, and I would urge everyone to make sure that their opinions are heard during that process," Hodgson said. "However, this is a long process and it will take a few years before we actually see any shovels in the ground. What is important though, is that our government has recognized the need to plan for the future rather than just adapting as our community grows."

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• Visit *Lindsay Toastmasters*. Practise Speaking Skills, **2nd & 4th Tuesday**, at Health Unit, 108 Angeline St. S., 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. or *Bobcaygeon Toastmasters* **each Thursday, except 2nd Thurs.** Learn leadership skills. At Lions Hall, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. Call Betty Legacey, 454-1591.

• **Apr. 3**: C.H.A.C.E. Haliburton Resource Centre, Halco Plaza, lower level - *Easter Egg Art*, 11 a.m.

• **Apr. 4**: C.H.A.C.E. Haliburton Resource Centre, Halco Plaza, lower level - *Easter Baskets*, 11 a.m.

• **Apr. 5**: C.H.A.C.E. Haliburton Resource Centre, Halco Plaza, lower level - *Activity Morning "Birds"*, 11 a.m.

• **Apr. 5**: L.I.F.T. Ladies in Fellowship Together. Theme: *"A Clean Sweep"* Feature: Wendy Snelgrove. Speaker and Soloist: Marilyn Brooks, West Guilford Recreation Centre. Thursday, April 5th, 2001, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Info: Alice 754-2808 or Lyn 457-3155.

• **Apr. 5**: The Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care is pleased to bring our *Photo Health Card clinic* back to the new Minden Hospital to replace missing/damaged/expired/incorrect Health Cards. By appointment only, call Oshawa, 1-905-434-3700 to book.

• **Apr. 5**: *TAI CHI* - A new beginners' class in Taoist Tai Chi will be offered Thursday mornings at 9:30 at Echo Hills Lodge, beginning April 5. For further info. or to sign up, call Logie Macdonnell at 457-5263.

• **Apr. 6 & 7**: The *Passion According to St. Luke*, read by Rev. Christopher Greaves and Carolyn Beard. Music by St. George's Choir & Friends. Friday, April 6, 7:30 p.m. at St. Margaret's, Wilberforce, and Saturday, April 7, 7:30 p.m. at St. George's, Haliburton.

• **Apr. 7**: *Exodus Youth Church*, 9:45 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Haliburton United Church. An international gathering for prayer around our schools via satellite. Join us! For details call 457-8898, Edge Ministries.

• **Apr. 7**: Free public information meeting: *food allergies*, particulary allergy to peanuts, Saturday, 1:00 p.m., Lakeside Baptist Church, Haliburton. For more info. call Heather at 705-457-5272.

• **Apr. 7**: MapleFest *"All you can eat Pancake/Sausage Brunch and Bake Sale"*, Lochlin United Church, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Adults $5, Children $2, Pre-schoolers free. Church Rd. off County Rd. 1.

• **Apr. 8**: Haliburton Concert Series 2nd Concert featuring *The Foothills Brass*, Sunday, April 8 at 7:30 p.m. in the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion. Tickets available by calling 457-9731 or at the door.

• **Apr. 9**: C.H.A.C.E. Haliburton Resource Centre, Halco Plaza, lower level - *Music*, 11 a.m.

• **Apr. 9**: *Photographers of the Highlands meeting*, 7:30 p.m., Family Services Meeting Room, East St., Haliburton. Slide and talk presentation on studio lighting. All welcome. Further info: 457-9660.

• **Apr. 9**: The Kawartha Sexual Assault Centre is offering *free workshops* to women in Haliburton and area: Monday, April 9, from 1 - 4 p.m., Getting to Goal Setting. Light refreshments provided and childcare and transportation subsidies available on request. To register for any or all workshops, please call Kim at (705) 748-5901. Collect calls always accepted.

• **Apr. 10**: C.H.A.C.E. Haliburton Resource Centre, Halco Plaza, lower level - *Rabbit Ears*, 11 a.m.

• **Apr. 11**: The Haliburton Highlands Genealogy Group will be holding their meeting in the Minden Public Library, 6 p.m. Any Business and Chat; 7 p.m. June Patridige will discuss *"Is part of your Family Tree already in print?"* Visitors welcome.

• **Apr. 11**: C.H.A.C.E. Haliburton Resource Centre, Halco Plaza, lower level - *Easter Egg Hunt*, 11 a.m.

Events listings are provided **FREE** for non-profit groups on a space-available basis. While we endeavour to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be faxed to The Echo at 457-3275, emailed to editorial@haliburtonecho.on.ca., or brought in to the office. **NOTE:** This calendar is **NOT A COMPREHENSIVE LISTING OF ALL EVENTS** taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in The Echo for more information on events and in the Highlands.

Health Unit urging province-wide measures to combat West Nile Virus

A province-wide approach must be undertaken to determine whether reducing the mosquito population is a viable preventive measure against West Nile virus, local Board of Health members were told recently.

At a meeting of the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit Board of Health, Medical Officer of Health Dr. Alex Hukowich said the Ministry of Health has yet to address requests for a meeting to discuss a province-wide approach to mosquito abatement programs. Instead, the ministry has sent a letter to health units telling them a resource kit is being developed and will be sent out prior to this year's mosquito season.

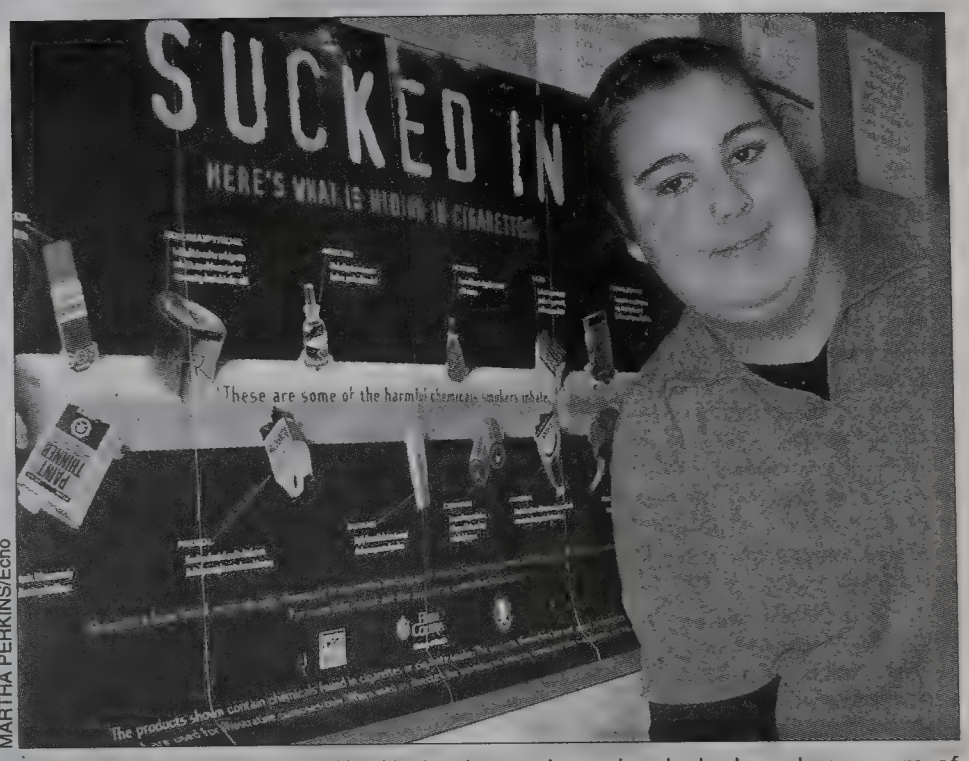
"They missed the point entirely," Dr. Hukowich said. "We asked them for a meeting to work out some of the details, such as what will be done and by whom, but that has not yet been addressed."

While health units can provide the public with information on how to protect themselves against mosquito bites, Dr. Hukowich said a common direction on a mosquito reduction program is needed as it would be difficult for any one municipality or medical officer of health to address this problem.

"Trying to approach this on an individual basis would undermine the public's confidence in the approach," he said, "and cause confusion for the public that could be more dangerous than the disease itself."

West Nile virus is spread by mosquitoes, which become infested after feeding on infected birds. The virus is transmitted to humans through the bite of an infected mosquito. Not everyone infected with the West Nile virus becomes severely ill. Symptoms usually occur three to 12 days after being bitten by an infected mosquito and can include fever and headache. In serious cases, it can affect brain tissue and cause encephalitis symptoms which include rapid onset of headache, stiff neck, confusion, loss of consciousness, muscle weakness or possibly death.

West Nile virus appeared two years ago in New York City, resulting in the deaths of seven people. Last summer, evidence of the West Nile virus was found over a wider area of New York State and surrounding states and there were three deaths as a result of the virus.



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Kick Butt Day organizer Jennifer Hasley hopes to make student smokers aware of the health risks they are exposing themselves to by lighting up.

HHSS seeks to extinguish student smoking habits

Campaign targeting 160 smokers

by Taryn Clarke
HHSS Co-op Student

On April 3, Haliburton Highlands Secondary School is hosting Kick Butt Day as part of their continuing campaign to cut back on the number of students who smoke.

The aim of the day is to get the approximately 160 students who smoke to not light up during school hours. Organizer, Jennifer Haley also hopes to raise awareness about the health risks smoking poses.

She went to an anti-smoking conference last December in Toronto and came back determined to make a difference. Along with Kick Butt Day there will be an assembly specifically geared towards grade nines on April 19 and several attention grabbing posters have already gone up around the school.

"The kids (smoke) because they think it's cool, but they don't really know the risks," says Jennifer, who thinks that education is the key. She hopes that having one of their peers provide the information will help get the message across.

Jennifer recently posted a sign-up sheet for students who wanted to join an anti-smoking committee. Despite the fact that only four of the people who signed up managed to attend the first meeting, it is encouraging to note that the vast majority of volunteers were people who smoke and want to quit.

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Mervin Barry, centre, receives a plaque of appreciation for his 17 years of work with the county roads department from Warden Murray Fearrey, left, and Minden Hills Deputy-reeve Jim McMahon.

Mervin Barry honoured for dedicated contribution to county roads department

MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

An hour after his last shift at the county roads department, Mervin Barry was presented with a plaque from county council thanking him for his 17 years of dedicated service.

"You've been always steady and dependable," Minden Hills Deputy-reeve Jim McMahon told Barry, while other members of the road department looked on. McMahon said Barry should be proud of his achievements.

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If you are interested in viewing this truck, please contact Doug Ray or Shirley Kirk.
Bids will be received by fax or mailed to the above address.

Closing Date: **April 15th, 2001 2:00 p.m.** local time
The County has the right to reject all or any bids received.

MUNICIPALITY OF DYSART ET AL

NOTICE

(Applicant: Dunn)

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al has by resolution declared a portion of a shoreline road allowance in front of Part of Lot 24, in Concession 5, on Little Kennisis Lake, in the geographic Township of Havelock, in the Municipality of Dysart et al, in the County of Haliburton, to be surplus.

NOW THEREFORE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al proposes to enact at its regular meeting to be held on Monday, May 14th, 2001, a by-law to close, stop-up and convey part of the said shoreline road allowance.

WHICH SAID PARCEL or tract of land is illustrated and shown as Part 1 and Part 2 on a preliminary plan of survey, prepared H. Curry Bishop, OLS, and dated February 12th, 2001, being available for inspection in the office of the Township Planner at the Municipal Office in Haliburton, Ontario.

BEFORE PASSING the said by-law at its meeting to be held as noted above, the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al shall then and there hear in person or by his counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his land will be affected by the said by-law.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION is available for review from the Planning Department at the Municipal Office during regular offices hours (9:00 am. to 5:00 pm. Monday to Friday).

DATED at the Township of Dysart, this 16th day of February, 2001.

Patricia E. Martin
M.C.I.P., R.P.P.
Township Planner

FLEMING
SIR SANDFORD FLEMING COLLEGE

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION
FOR A
HIGHSPEED BROADBAND NETWORK CONNECTION
BETWEEN
SIR SANDFORD FLEMING COLLEGE, SUTHERLAND CAMPUS
AND TRENT UNIVERSITY, SYMONS CAMPUS
PETERBOROUGH, ONTARIO

RFI Documents and Specifications are available at **www.merx.com** Reference **#43580**
Deadline for responding to this Request for Information is **April 23rd, 2001 by 9:30 a.m.** Only applicants responding to this RFI will be invited to progress to the next step of this process.
Sealed Responses will be accepted only at:
Sir Sandford Fleming College
Purchasing office, Room 423
Sutherland Campus
599 Brealey Drive
Peterborough, Ontario K9J 7B1
For further information, please contact Mrs. Sandy Lawrence, Director of Purchasing, Fleming College (705) 749-5554 or Anne Parker, Trent/Fleming Project Manager (705) 748-1011 ext. 1602
The Trent/Fleming Evaluation Team reserves the right to accept or reject any or all Responses.
Sir Sandford Fleming College and Trent University are dedicated to equitable employment practices. We encourage all to take an active role in achieving the goals of employment equity.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT
MUNICIPALITY OF DYSART ET AL

- **DATE:** Wednesday, April 11th, 2001
- **TIME:** 11:00 a.m.
- **LOCATION:** Council Chambers, Municipal Office, Haliburton, Ontario

APPLICATIONS:
1. D13-MV-01-003-Lands of Muscat
- Purpose and Effect: to permit the construction of a private garage.
- Reduce the setback to the rear lot line to 14 feet.
- Location: Part Lot 28, Concession 7, Harcourt Township (Elephant lake).

2. D13-MV-01-004 – Lands of Molenaar and Younge-Molenaar
- Purpose and Effect: to permit the construction of an unenclosed deck.
- Allow deck to extend into setback to high water 24.6 feet.
- Location: Part Lot 8, Concession 9, dudley Township (Drag Lake).

3. D13-MV-01-005 – Lands of Boice
- Purpose and Effect: to legally recognize three existing buildings (a seasonal dwelling, a private cabin and a storage shed).
- Permit a private cabin to have a total floor area of 735 sq. feet.
- Reduce the setback to high water for a seasonal dwelling to 13.5 feet.
- Reduce the setback to high water for a private cabin to 11.5 feet.
- Reduce the setback to high water for a storage shed to 9.8 feet.
- Location: part Lot 28 and 29, Concession 12, Guilford Township (Redstone lake).
- This is a condition of Applications for Consent H-83/00, H-84/00 and H-85/00.

- **ANY PERSON** is entitled to attend the hearing in person to express his/her views about these applications or may be represented by Counsel for that purpose. If you do not attend the hearing the Committee may proceed in your absence and you will not be entitled to any further notice of the proceedings. The committee will accept written submissions. A copy of the decision will be sent to the applicant and to each person who has filed with the Secretary Treasurer a written request for notice of the decision.

- **FURTHER INFORMATION:** including specific information about the setbacks affected by each application, is available from the Planning Department at the Municipal Office during regular office hours (9:00 am to 5:00k pm, Monday to Friday) or by phoning 705-457-1740.

Date: March 28th, 2001

Patricia Martin
Secretary-Treasurer,
Committee of Adjustment

St. George's Anglican Church
Mountain Street, Haliburton
WELCOMES YOU
Please join us for worship on Sunday morning 8:00 & 10:30*
Sunday School & Nursery at 10:30 service
St. Margaret's Church, Wilberforce
Hwy 648, Wilberforce 9:00 a.m. Worship
The Anglican Parish of Haliburton
(705) 457-2074

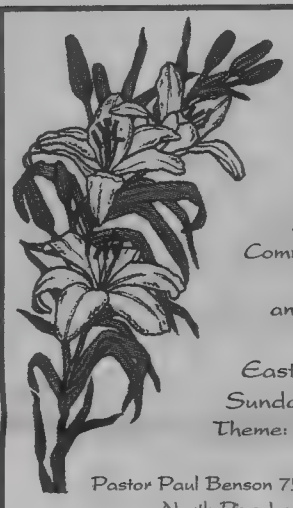
West Guilford Gospel Chapel

Easter Services

Good Friday, April 13/01
9:00 a.m. Pancake Breakfast
Devotional following. No charge.
Call Beth at 457-5102 to reserve your place

Easter Sunday, April 15/01
11:00 a.m. Easter Service All are welcome!

✝ ***"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life."*** John 3:16 ✝



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Saturday, April 7 - 7:30pm
at St. George's, Haliburton

CHURCH SERVICES

Lawn Bowling Club prepares for coming season

All welcome to participate in indoor activity

The Minden Indoor Lawn Bowling Club has again rented the ice surface area of the Minden Curling Club for the upcoming summer season and welcomes everyone to come out and participate in this very enjoyable sport. Watch for the open house and starting dates in the local newspapers.

The club gratefully acknowledges the financial support of the Ontario Trillium Foundation, an agency of the Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation.

If further information is required, give Jim Hindle a call at 286-3583.

NOTICE

IN THE MATTER OF THE *MUNICIPAL ACT* AND IN THE MATTER OF A PROPOSED BY-LAW OF THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF HIGHLANDS EAST TO CLOSE, STOP-UP AND CONVEY CERTAIN PORTIONS OF ROAD ALLOWANCES, RESERVES FOR ROAD AND AN ORIGINAL ALLOWANCE FOR ROAD ALONG THE SHORE OF KOSHLONG LAKE, MORE PARTICULARLY HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Chapter M45, Section 297 and Section 300 of the *Municipal Act*, R.S.O. 1990, as amended, that the Township Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Highlands East proposes to consider and if deemed advisable, to pass at its regular meeting to be held at the Council Chambers, Wilberforce, Ontario on Tuesday, the 10th day of April, 2001, at 9:00 a.m., a By-Law to close, stop-up and convey to the adjacent land owners the following described lands:

Part of the original shore road allowance in front of Lots 16 and 17, Concession 13, Part of Lot 17, Concession 13 designated as Road Allowance on Registered Plan No. 464, Part of Lot 16, Concession 13 designated as Road Allowance on Registered Plan No. 413, Part of Lots 16 and 17, Concession 13 designated as Road Allowance on Crown Land Survey attached to Instrument number 23095 and Part of Lot 16, Concession 13 designated as Reserve for road on Crown Land Survey attached to Instrument number 59865, in the Township of Glamorgan, County of Haliburton, shown on a Preliminary Plan of Survey made by Paul Wilson, O.L.S., dated September 1, 2000, and being more particularly described as follows:

FIRSTLY: FIRSTLY: Part of Lot 17, Concession 13 designated as road allowance on Registered Plan No. 464, being Part 1 on the Preliminary Plan of survey; and
SECONDLY: Part of the original shore road allowance in front of Lot 17, Concession 13, being Part 2 on the Preliminary Plan of Survey.

SECONDLY: FIRSTLY: Part of Lot 17, Concession 13 designated as road allowance on Crown Land Survey attached to Instrument number 23095, being Part 3 on the Preliminary Plan of Survey; and
SECONDLY: Part of the original shore road allowance in front of Lot 17, Concession 13, being Part 4 on the Preliminary Plan of Survey.

THIRDLY: FIRSTLY: Part of Lots 16 and 17, Concession 13 designated as road allowance on Crown Land Survey attached to Instrument number 23095, being Part 5 on the Preliminary Plan of Survey; and
SECONDLY: Part of the original shore road allowance in front of Lots 16 and 17, Concession 13, being Part 6 on the Preliminary Plan of Survey.

FOURTHLY: FIRSTLY: Part of Lot 16, Concession 13 designated as road allowance on Registered Plan No. 413, being part 7 on the Preliminary Plan of Survey; and
SECONDLY: Part of the original shore road allowance in front of Lot 16, Concession 13, being Part 8 on the Preliminary Plan of Survey.

FIFTHLY: FIRSTLY: Part of Lot 16, Concession 13 designated as reserve for road on Crown Land Survey attached to Instrument number 59865, being Part 9 on the Preliminary Plan of Survey; and
SECONDLY: Part of the original shore road allowance in front of Lot 16, Concession 13, being Part 10 on the Preliminary Plan of Survey; and
THIRDLY: Part of Lot 16, Concession 13 designated as reserve for road on Crown Land Survey attached to Instrument number 59865, being Parts 20 and 21 on Preliminary Plan of Survey (Part 20 being subject to an easement in favour of Bell Canada and Hydro One Networks Inc.); and
FOURTHLY: Part of the original shore road allowance in front of Lot 16, Concession 13, being Parts 22 and 23 on the Preliminary Plan of Survey (Part 22 being subject to an easement in favour of Bell Canada and Hydro One Networks Inc.).

SIXTHLY: FIRSTLY: Part of Lot 16 , Concession 13 designated as road allowance on Registered Plan No. 413, being Part 11 on the Preliminary Plan of survey; and
SECONDLY: Part of the original shore road allowance in front of Lot 16, Concession 13, being Part 12 on the Preliminary Plan of Survey.

SEVENTHLY: FIRSTLY: Part of Lot 16, Concession 13 designated as road allowance on Registered Plan No. 413, being Part 13 on the Preliminary Plan of Survey; and
SECONDLY: Part of the original shore road allowance in front of Lot 16, Concession 13, being Part 14 on the Preliminary Plan of survey.

EIGHTHLY: FIRSTLY: Part of Lot 16, Concession 13 designated as road allowance on Registered Plan No. 413, being Part 15 on the Preliminary Plan of Survey; and
SECONDLY: Part of the original Shore Road Allowance in front of Lot 16, Concession 13, being Part 16 on the Preliminary Plan of Survey.

NINTHLY: FIRSTLY: Part of the original shore road allowance in front of Lot 16, Concession 13, being parts 17 and 18 on the Preliminary Plan of Survey (Parts 17 and 18 being the flooded portion will be closed and retained by the Municipality); and
SECONDLY: Part of the original Shore Road Allowance in front of Lots 16 and 17, Concession 13, being Part 19 on the Preliminary Plan of Survey (Part 19 being the flooded portion will be closed and retained by the Municipality).

The preliminary Plan of Survey as referred to above is available for inspection during regular office hours at the Municipality of Highlands East offices, Wilberforce, Ontario.

AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that before passing the said By-Law at the meeting to be held at the time and place above mentioned, the Municipality of Highlands East shall then and there hear in person or by his counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his, her or their lands will be affected by the said By-Law and who applies to be heard.

DATED at the Municipality of Highlands East (Wilberforce), Ontario this 6th day of March, 2001.

SHARON STOUGHTON-CRAIG
CLERK-TREASURER

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601 ARTICLES WANTED

BUY - SELL - TRADE
Wanted - Good used furniture, old china and glass, jewellery, toys, fishing tackle, decoys, canoes, wagon wheels, grain scales. Stacking bookcases and wooden ice boxes, any condition. Whole or partial estates. Call any time, Paulette, (705) 457–4534 or (705) 457–2250. **CA**

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B'S ANTIQUES now open for the season. Saturday and Sunday afternoons. Two buildings packed to the rafters. Coins, glass, china, tools, primitives, jewelry, etc. Lynx Lake Road off Port Sydney Road, Huntsville. (705) 789–7929.

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612 AUCTIONS/ FLEA MARKETS

WHITE'S AUCTION SALE
Saturday, April 7, 2001
10:00 a.m.
Contents of the home of Dorothy Stacey and others.
Sale to be held at the Faraday Community Centre. From Bancroft take Hwy. 28S approx. 8 kms. to Lower Faraday Road (beside Bow Lake Variety)
Sale to consist of furniture, household goods, antiques, collectibles, tools and miscellaneous items. Please note that this is only a partial listing of a very complete sale. Now taking Visa, Interac, cheque (with 2 pcs. ID), and cash. **White's Auction Service, Oscar White - Auctioneer. Phone: 613-339-2350, fax: 613-339-1572, e-mail: whitegen@bancom.net** **CA**

201 APARTMENTS FOR RENT

ONE BDRM. APT. between Minden and Haliburton, along Hwy. 121, nearby two great lakes. Perfect for singles, available anytime. First and lst, no pets please, $485/mon. Call Carmen, 457–8849.

202 HOUSES FOR RENT

2 OR 3 BDRM. HOUSE, Minden area, $600 plus utilities per month, 1st and last. Phone 1–705–488–2382.

CHARMING 3 BEDROOM home, lovely grounds, large garage, easy to heat, great for gardeners, Minden nearby. Available. Call (416) 231–7551.

TIRED OF PAYING RENT? Own your own home with little or no money down with our lease with option to purchase program. **INTERESTED!!!** Call 754–9200.

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206 SHARED ACCOMMODATION

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7 passenger, PS, PB, air, serviced & certified **$4,995**

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93 GMC Safari 8 Passenger Van
95 Ford F150, 2wd, pick up
93 Dodge Spirit 4 dr
93 Plymouth Sundance, 4 dr, 1 owner,
99 Toyota Corolla, 4 dr
91 Chrysler Dynasty, 4dr
91 Chrysler Dynasty, 4 dr
89 Toyota Cressida, 4 dr, loaded
85 Nissan Maxima, 4 dr, V6
88 Cadillac Coupe De Ville , Nice car,
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91 Mazda 323, 5 speed, 2 dr
89 Jeep YJ 4x4, only 102,346kms,
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MUST SELL – 1998 Ford Escort SE, 32,000 km., warranty to May 2004. Power steering, power locks, power windows, cruise control, automatic, air conditioned, tape cassette, keyless entry. Colour Teal. $12,000. o.b.o. Call (705) 457–4576 or (705) 457–3521, Haliburton.
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504 EMPLOYMENT WANTED

RETIREE – Minor maintenance, clean-ups, repairs, installations, light moving. Has own truck and tools. References can be supplied. Call evenings 457–9730.

505 GENERAL HELP WANTED

CARPENTERS HELPER – Must be reliable, have own transportation and a pleasant personality. Experience an asset but not a necessity. References required. Please apply in writing to: Box 'L', c/o The Haliburton County Echo, Box 360, Haliburton, Ont. K0M 1S0.
CA

2 SUMMER JOBS
available for college/university students.
12-week positions
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as
Summer Respite Coordinator
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Assistant Resource Consultant
with children with special needs. Background in ECE, Social Service worker, Psychology or. Recreation. Vehicle required. $9./hour plus travel allowance. Full job descriptions available at Family Services Office in Haliburton, or Haliburton Employment Resource Centre. Send resume to Barb Fraser, Family Services, Box 1306, Haliburton K0M 1S0 before April 16
CA

505 GENERAL HELP WANTED

C.H.A.C.E. DAY CARE requires a full-time Toddler Teacher for a one-year maternity leave contract, E.C.E. diploma required. Please send resume to Sue Doan. C.H.A.C.E. Inc., P.O. Box 1064, Haliburton, Ont. by April 13th, 2001 or fax (705) 457–2309. **CA**

CLEANER NEEDED for summer resort for spring cleaning (Mon. - Fri.) beginning May 2, and summer housekeeping duties (Tues. - Sat.). Some work after Labour Day. Approx. 40 hours/wk. @ $8.25/hr. Send resume to: Miners' Bay Lodge, R.R. #1, Norland, ON K0M 2L0.

COOKS REQUIRED IMMEDIATELY at the Kinark Outdoor Center, located on Queens Line off of Hwy. 118 west of Carnarvon. Previous experience working in a food service setting preferred, and ability to work independently essential. Competitive salary. Please fax, email or mail resumes to: Bruce Middleton, Kinark Outdoor Center, P.O. Box 730, Minden, Ontario, K0M 2K0, Phone (705) 286–3555. Fax: (705) 286–6184. Bruce.middleton@kinark.on.ca **CA**

EXPERIENCED CABINET INSTALLER, full or part-time. Send resume to: Box 1071, Haliburton, ON K0M 1S0.
CA

Male and Female Summer Respite Workers
(5 positions available)
to work one-on-one with children with special needs at local camps and in community settings.
Experience working with children in community settings and ability to carry out individual program plans essential. Vehicle required.
Positions for 9 weeks, 35 hours/week, $8.50/hour plus travel allowance.
Send resume to Barb Fraser, Family Services, Box 1306, Haliburton K0M 1S0 before April 16.
CA

PERSON REQUIRED for summer season cooking and spring cleaning. The position entails cooking breakfasts and baking desserts, Saturday - Thursday mornings, plus preparing 3 meals Tuesday (full day). Approx. 30/hours/wk. June 15 - Sept. 3. Must be able to work Thanksgiving weekend, Saturday, October 6 through Monday, October 8. Willing to train the right person. The successful applicant will also help with spring cleaning May 2 - June 14, approx. 40 hrs/wk. at $8.25/hr. Please send resume with references to Miners' Bay Lodge, R. R. #1, Norland, K0M 2L0.

RETAIL STORE SUPERVISOR
Retail Food Store requires mature individual with experience in merchandising, scheduling other employees, cashier duties, food preparation (non-cooking), and excellent customer service skills. Must be able to work shifts including evening and weekends. We are looking for an energetic, self-starter willing to develop skills of all staff and meet company goals. Location: Minden. Interested applicants are requested to submit a resume to fax#(705) 738-3136 no later than **April 7.** Only those applicants selected for an interview will be contacted.
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505 GENERAL HELP WANTED

WANTED: Welders, with papers. Must be neat. Call (705) 447–3275. **CA**

WAREHOUSE PERSON - SHIPPER/RECEIVER
Food Products Distributor requires person to work in refrigerated and frozen products storage facility. Must be willing to work shifts including evenings and weekends. Duties include:
• Daily inventory of finished product
• Rotation of stock
• Maintain organized appearance and excellent quality standards in storage areas
• Daily load out of company delivery vehicles
Preference will be given to candidates with previous food products warehousing experience.
Location: Minden
Interested applicants are requested to submit a resume to fax #(705) 738-3136 no later than **April 7.** Only those applicants selected for an interview will be contacted. **CA**

506 SALES HELP WANTED

Fenelon Falls Monuments is looking for a Representative in the Haliburton/Minden area. You must be a just and upright person, be sensitive and considerate to clients who are in throes of bereavement. Your experience and location for a possible display would be an asset. If you are a successful candidate you will be notified within seven days. Please send your resume to E-mail: f.f.monuments@sympatico.ca or by mail. C.P.C. Fenelon Falls Monuments, 12 North Street, Box 159, Fenelon Falls, Ont. K0M 1N0 **CA**

TRAVEL AGENT REQUIRED for local travel agency. Experience with Apollo/BSP/Global Matrix preferred. Salary based on experience. Please forward resume to Letsgo Travel, P.O. Box 638, Haliburton K0M 1S0 Attn.: Manager or email: lconeybeare@letsgo.ca **CA**

507 SKILLED/TECHNICAL HELP WANTED

LICENSED AUTO MECHANIC for small general repair garage in Minden. Call 286–8473. **CA**

FAX US AT: 457-3275

507 SKILLED/TECHNICAL HELP WANTED

508 CAREERS

EVER THOUGHT ABOUT A CAREER IN REAL ESTATE? Like to find out how to get started? Call Bowes & Cocks Ltd. at (705) 457–2220 for the answers. **CA**

701 COMING EVENTS

FEAST OF FOODS
April 21, 2001
Celebrate the end of winter by attending Sir Sandford Fleming College's fourth annual Feast of Foods at PineStone Delta Resort this year, some of Haliburton's finest chefs will create
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701 COMING EVENTS

Haliburton Concert Series
2nd Concert
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Harcourt Community Centre
April 7, 2001
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708 OBITUARIES

CLAUDE W. ROBERTS – At Hillsdale Manor, Oshawa on Wednesday, March 28th, 2001. Claude Roberts at 80 years of age. Beloved husband of Irene Roberts. Dear brother of Gracia MacDonald and Leslie Roberts. Predeceased by his sister Thelma Parish. Lovingly remembered by his many nieces and nephews. Rested at the Armstrong Funeral home, 124 King Street East, Oshawa, on Saturday, March 31st, 2001 at 2:30 p.m. Interment will take place in Haliburton at a later date. International order of Odd Fellows and Rebekah Lodge, service was held Friday at 7 p.m. Memorial donations to the Ontario Heart and Stroke Foundation would be appreciated. Visitation was Friday 2-4 and 7-9 p.m.

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FRANCIS WILLIAM ALFRED THOMAS
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709 IN MEMORIAM

HUTCHINGS, GARF – In loving memory of husband, pa, and papa Garf Hutchings who left us on March 30, 2000.
You touched so many people,
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God has you in his keeping,
We have you in our hearts.
Sadly missed and always remembered by loving **wife Glenda, Judy, Rick, Jackie, Tom, Bill, Jenny, Allison, Ryan.**

712 CARDS OF THANKS

THANK YOU to friends and family and doctors and staff at Haliburton and Lindsay Hospitals for all your help and kind thoughts through a difficult time during the illness and death of Kathleen Bates. **Helen and Ken Bates.**

WE WOULD LIKE TO express our sincere thanks to our families and friends for their love and concern during Wesley's hospital stay. The phone calls, flowers, gifts and prayers will always be remembered. Seatbelts saved our children's lives and we strongly urge all parents to securely fasten their children into safety restraints and car seats. Most of all, we thank God for allowing us to bring both of our sons home safely and healthy. Bless you all, **Shawn and Tracy Stoughton.** **CA**

A HEARTFELT THANKS to people who sent cards, letters, flowers and prayers, wishing me well while I was in treatment at Thunder Bay. A thank you to all the ladies from my bible group from Lakeside Baptist church, also thanks to Gooderham and Wilberforce United Church. A great thanks to my family who gave so much time. It made it possible for my husband Chuck to spend time with me. Thank you. I'd like also to thank Dr. Gammon and Dr. Scott and all I have missed. God bless and keep you **Beatrice Viner.**

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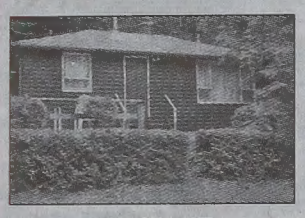

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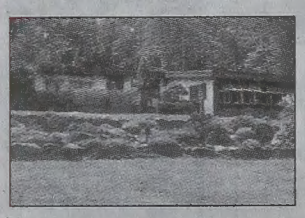

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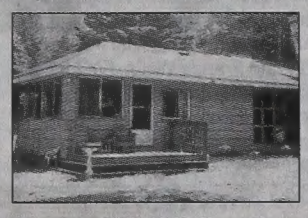

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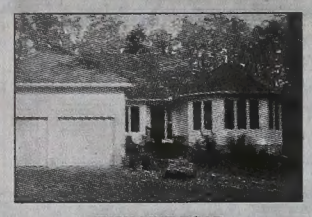

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